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KUROPTAKIN'S HISTORY OF JAPANESE WAR PUBLISHED

Efforts to Prevent its Seeing the Light of Day Have Been a Failure

SHAMEFUL STORY FOR RUSSIA

Official Incompetence, Disobedience of Generals and Disorganization in the Army

St. Petersburg, Feb. 14.—General Kuropatkin's history of the Russo-Japanese war, which was confiscated by the Russian government, has at last become accessible, despite the most extreme precautions to prevent this galling official document from reaching the public. The work consists of three bulky volumes, respectively devoted to the crucial events of the war, the battle of Liao Yang, the battle of Mukden. The voluminous general orders, statistics, reports and other documentary matter have been collated by Col. Bolkhovetov, of the general staff. These, with the "conclusions" which have been formulated, constitute most amazing revelations of disorganization and incapacity, and even of disobedience of specific and urgent orders on the part of certain general officers entrusted with high commands in the field, notably General Kaubars, against whom a formidable indictment is framed, saddling upon his shoulders practically the entire responsibility for the crushing defeat at Mukden.

A Dismal Comparison

Kuropatkin's reasons for the failure of the war are based chiefly on a comparison of the warlike spirit of the Japanese, as prepared for war, and valor, which he says had never been seen in any previous war, and their ability to maintain the numerical superiority necessary to assume the offensive, with the disadvantages of Russia owing to the inadequacy of the Russian army, which, in Europe, in feeding her fighting strength, with commanding officers disobeying orders in a hopeless state of confusion and cross purposes, with a low state of morale and confidence among the troops, and continuous news from the front of internal troubles and of insults and reproaches against the army. The General closes his survey of the causes of the defeat of the Russians with the pathetic reflection that if Russia had been united and ready to make sacrifices necessary to safeguard her dignity and integrity, the "valiant" Russian army would have striven until the foe was subdued.

The Mukden volume opens with a sketch of the early events of the war, showing that there were divided counsels from the outset over the defenses of Port Arthur. In February, 1904, Kuropatkin presented two memoranda to the Emperor concerning the plan of operations. In the first he wrote: "During the earlier period of the campaign our chief task must be, not to permit our troops to be beaten in detail, but gradually strengthen them and prepare ourselves for an advance. We must begin it with the utmost secrecy, and not until we have all the necessities for an uninterrupted advance during a comparatively long time."

On the margin of this memorandum the Emperor wrote the laconic comment, "Just so."

Kuropatkin goes on to show how his efforts to realize this programme were checkmated in numerous ways by the deficiencies of the army and by the lack of transport and artillery horses, dwelling upon the details given in order to show the utter inadequacy of the Manchurian army to cope with the situation. At the end of May, Kuropatkin admits that had Gen. Kuroki grasped a critical position on the Russian east front, "which, fortunately for us, he did not," he could have seized Liao Yang as early as the beginning of June.

A Disorganized Army

The whole narrative is a dismal retrospect of unpreparedness and disorganization. Kuropatkin says of the famous Tenth corps, that little energy was shown by its commanders, and there was "insufficient firmness in the case of certain regiments, especially among the reservists, rank and file, who, under various pretexts, went to the rear."

Gen. Bilderling's tactics at Liao Yang are severely criticized, his troops are declared to have been raw, inexperienced and untrustworthy, and they met with constant failure. Gen. Orlow's force of twelve thousand men simply bolted from the field in wild disorder, with the result that a splendid position was lost. What was

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lacking through the fighting at Liao Yang, Kuropatkin says, was "greater effort on the part of the troops, and more capable handling on the part of the leaders."

The dangers and disadvantages of the retreat from Liao Yang to Mukden are pointed out. When the troops got among the hills they lost their heads and gave way to panic. The previous experience of the advance had not inspired them with confidence.

For the indecisive results of the battle of the Shan River several reasons are given, the first of which is the lack of skill displayed by the chief of the eastern army in handling the large force entrusted to him.

Gripenberg Blamed

After the fall of Port Arthur, Kuropatkin describes his plan for a great turning movement, and the blame for its failure is thrown upon Gen. Gripenberg.

"It is regrettable," says Kuropatkin, "that a fortnight before the commencement of our advance, the chances of success were overturned by certain orders of Gripenberg, which revealed to the enemy the nature of our intended movement."

Concerning the reverse at Sandepu, Kuropatkin says "the entire Russian fortifications of that village had not been studied, and no sketches of the ground had been prepared for the troops. The result was that the artillery fired for a whole day against Baitze instead of Sandepu, never touching Sandepu. The Fourth division attacked the village of Baotadze, west of Sandepu, and having

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SUPPORTS CHARGES AGAINST THE OFFICERS

Surviving Passenger of Larchmont Says They Drove Her Back From Boats

Block Island, R. I. Feb. 14.—One more grim harvest of twenty-three victims of the disaster to the ill-fated steamer Larchmont, which the Intrepid Block Island fishermen gathered yesterday in nearby waters, was sent to the mainland today, and as the deathladen boat left this afternoon for Providence, the corpse of another victim was brought in by the fishing schooner Theresa, making in all fifty-five bodies that have been recovered. The steamer Kentucky carried away forty-nine bodies yesterday, as well as eighteen survivors. The tugboat Roger Williams, which came down this afternoon from Providence, steamed back with 23 rigid forms on her decks. The body of Harry E. Cook, a resident of this island, will be buried here, while that of an unknown negro waiter, which was brought in just before dark, will probably be sent to the mainland by the steamer tomorrow.

One survivor, Miss Sadie Colub, of Boston, still remains on the island, she is being cared for at the home of George Milliken.

This afternoon she told several of the newspaper men that when she begged either Captain McVey or Purser Young to take her in their boats, they pushed her back and the lifeboat left the Larchmont with only six in it, although it would have held twenty more. When the steamer went down, she found herself on a piece of wreckage and remained on it until picked up ten hours later by the crew of the fishing schooner Elsie. Miss Colub was very emphatic in her charge against Captain McVey and the officers of the Larchmont.

Miss Colub, who had remained unconscious since being brought ashore, regained her senses this afternoon and was very eager to make a statement. It was stated tonight that she will recover, although her hands and feet are badly frost bitten.

The body of the negro has a wound in the throat, which has the appearance of having been made by a knife. It is the general opinion that the unfortunate man took his own life after falling in a desperate effort to put on a life preserver found covering his head and one arm.

The Block Island fishing fleet of twenty sailing vessels searched the adjacent waters today, but only two bodies were recovered.

ELECTRIC RAILWAY CO. SEEKING MORE POWER

Wynn Meredith and Others Start Today to Look for Possible Sources

Wynn Meredith, the celebrated electrical engineer, arrived in the city last evening, on business connected with the B. C. Electric Railway company. As to just exactly what that business may be, the utmost secrecy is being maintained, but it is thought that he may have something to do with securing of a new source of power for the railway company.

Mr. Meredith was accompanied by H. M. Burwell, of Herman & Burwell, the Vancouver engineering firm, and this morning Mr. Meredith, Mr. Burwell and a party of surveyors and engineers will leave on the first E. & N. train. Questioned yesterday as to what the business of the party might be, Mr. Meredith would make no statement, and even refused to name the station at which the party will leave the train.

It is understood, however, that he is making for Sooke, and that surveys will be made at Sooke lake with a view to ascertaining the facilities afforded by that body of water for the development of power.

A VETERAN OFFICIAL

Windsor, Ont., Feb. 14.—Police Magistrate Bartlett has completed forty-nine years in the civic service. He started as city clerk 45 years ago.

REAL ESTATE MARKET SHOWS GREATER ACTIVITY

Many Parcels of Property Have Changed Hands Within the Past Few Days

NEW FIRMS OPEN UP IN CITY

Particulars of Recent Deals in Realty in Victoria and the Surrounding District

Activity in realty circles is becoming more accentuated as spring opens up. Within the past couple of days two new concerns in this line of business have entered the field in Victoria, V. C. Maddock & Co., and Bannerman and Nivlin.

The first mentioned is an important addition to the business of the city. As a branch of one of the largest and oldest established real estate firms in Winnipeg, with offices also at Portage la Prairie and Moose Jaw, east of the Rockies, and at Vernon, B. C., it has an extensive field before it. A specialty will be made of Okanagan lands, of which the firm owns some 5,000 acres between Vernon and Kelowna. The Okanagan centre. This tract requires irrigation, in common with all lands in that vicinity, and a scheme costing \$40,000 is now under construction. These lands, with irrigation, are being sold for \$125 per acre. No other firm in the city is dealing in fruit lands in the dry belt, so this should form an important part of the business. Its offices are at 10 Broad street.

Both partners in the firm of Bannerman and Nivlin are old hands at realty selling, and have secured a large amount of purchases on their list. Their offices adjoin the Imperial Bank on Government street.

Another new firm that is having extensive offices fitted up is Gray and Hamilton, who have secured a splendid location on Yates street adjoining the B. C. Hardware company. Several extensive purchases were made before the firm started its business, and one tract is already being subdivided, formerly part of the Finlayson estate, east of the Cedar Hill road. This will be placed on the market at once.

Foul Bay appears to be the latest residential suburb for which there is much inquiry. Within the past couple of days Pemberton & Son have made several sales there. They include four acres for \$6,400; two acres for \$3,000, a lot on Foul Bay road, \$900; and 2½ lots off the same thoroughfare at \$300 each. Other sales by the same firm are a lot on Camosun street, \$1,450; two lots Oak Bay, \$500; four lots Pandora avenue, \$1,600; lot on Seventh street, \$350; one-half acre at Cadboro bay, \$300 and 27 acres at Langford, \$960.

Grant and Lineham yesterday sold nine houses and two lots including seven lots at Rock Bay, two at the head of Pandora street, and George Tite's residence on Upper View street. Through the agency of Parsons, Love & Co., Rev. J. Dean sold his house and six lots at Oak Bay to Thomas Gray, formerly of Moose Jaw. Mr. Dean has purchased the residence of J. D. McNiven, on Pandora street, and will reside there in future. F. Anderson yesterday sold several lots in the city to different investors, the aggregate value being about \$7,000.

C. A. Harrison, of the Dried food, on Heywood avenue to Shalcross, Macaulay & Co.

Other sales yesterday include three lots on Simcoe street, west of Michigan, for \$3,600 and one acre, corner of Moss street and Fairfield road, for \$2,600. Both these were private.

It is also reported that John Arbuthnot has sold "Robledo," the residence he recently purchased on Rockland avenue, his business interests compelling him to reside in Nanaimo.

IMMIGRANTS WILL BE OF GOOD CHARACTER

Arrangement Entered Into by Provincial Government and Salvation Army

"What is the understanding reached between the provincial government and the Salvation Army in regard to the encouragement of immigration to British Columbia?" This question was asked by R. L. Drury at a general meeting of the Board of Trade held yesterday afternoon, at which the problem of obtaining more laborers to meet the present scarcity throughout the province was discussed. It is also reported that the government has made preliminary arrangements with the Salvation Army, and trusts in a few days to be able to report the completion of the same for the immigration into British Columbia of a very desirable class of workers, who will be ready to go to work in the spring. The government has been most particular to impress upon those in charge of the selection that only the best and most suitable people be chosen, and as the Salvation Army commissioners who have the work in hand know what the requirements of British Columbia are, there is no doubt that suitable and altogether desirable laborers will be

HOMESTEADERS' DUTIES

Ottawa, Feb. 14.—The Interior department states that while it is quite true that the homesteaders have been permitted to absent themselves for two months from their lands, it is erroneous to say that the two months will be counted as actual residence on a homestead. There is no provision under the statute by which such a concession could be granted. The department is anxious that settlers should be advised of the correct position of affairs.

ALBERTA TELEPHONES

Edmonton, Feb. 14.—The minister of public works, on behalf of the government of Alberta, announced today that a complete telephone system, owned and operated by the government, and covering the entire province, with rural exchanges wherever desired, will be installed at once.

A MEXICAN MERGER

New York, Feb. 14.—The directors of the Greene Consolidated Copper Company and of the Cananea Coal Company today ratified an agreement with the Ryan-Cole syndicate for the transfer of the properties of those two companies to the Greene-Cananea Copper Company.

ANTI-STRIKE MEASURE

READ A SECOND TIME

Criticism in House—Mr. McInnes and the Yukon—Mexican Wheat Duty

Ottawa, Feb. 14.—After seven hours' debate the House gave the second reading to Hon. Mr. Lemieux's bill for the prevention and settlement of strikes and lockouts. There was considerable criticism of the measure from the opposition, several members holding that the bill infringed the personal liberty of both employers and employees.

Eighteen tenders have been received for the five additional sections of the national transcontinental railway. It will take about a week to figure them out.

Mr. Lennox was informed by Sir Wilfrid Laurier that a resolution was received in August last purporting to come from the Yukon Territorial Liberal Association, making charges against W. W. B. McInnes, then governor of the Yukon. The charges were of a general character, alleging untrustworthiness and misconduct. An investigation was demanded, as well as the dismissal of Mr. McInnes, but subsequently resolutions were received purporting to come from the same body, alleging that the former resolution was unauthorized and was not found in the books of the association.

Mr. Bureau was sworn in as solicitor-general today.

A. W. Donly, Canada's commercial agent at Mexico, telegraphs that the duty on wheat into Mexico has been reduced 50 per cent from February 15 to June 30. The present Mexican duty is, in Canadian currency, about 67 cents per 100 pounds.

GAMBLERS AND DETECTIVE

Honolulu, Feb. 14.—Chief of Detectives Taylor has been offered \$1400 a week by an association of Chinese gamblers for their protection, and to secure them a monopoly of gambling in Honolulu. The chief accepted a payment to bind the agreement, in order to secure evidence against the would-be bribers.

CORNWALL CITIZEN DEAD

Cornwall, Feb. 14.—Isaac H. Vanarsdale, of Black & Vanarsdale, proprietors of the Cornwall pottery, died today. He was in business forty years. He is survived by his wife and one daughter, the wife of R. A. Pringle, M. P.

THEO. KNAPPEN PRAISES TOURIST ASSOCIATION

Says it Has Caused City of Victoria to be Widely Known

Theodore M. Knappen, formerly secretary of the Western Canada Immigration association, now vice-president of that organization, is in the city. Accompanying him are John P. Langan and James Hansell, of Chicago, Ill. Mr. Knappen is enthusiastic in his praise of the advertising campaign which has been carried on by the Victoria Development and Tourist association during the past few years. He states that through its efforts, and the enterprise and energy of its secretary, H. Cuthbert, Victoria is attracting general attention throughout the Northwest and, in fact, in Eastern Canada and the United States. He thinks that this city, with its natural scenic and climatic charms, is destined to become a resort rivaling those of Southern California. Indeed he believes that the situation here at present and that which confronts Los Angeles and other places in the sunny South some years ago are analogous. To insure Victoria's future as a resort, it was only necessary that the local Development and Tourist association should continue its work. Mr. Knappen and his friends are here on business combined with pleasure, and expect to remain several days. They are staying at the Drilard hotel.

CIVIC SALARIES MOVE SEVERAL NOTCHES UPWARD

Council Agrees to Nearly All Requests for Increase in Pay

WAGES OF DAY LABORERS RAISED

Higher Scale Will Mean Addition to the Civic Expenditure of \$20,000 a Year

The city officials have received a salary raise all around. After three weeks of discussion and the holding of two special secret sessions, the city council has finally disposed of the question, and last night after a meeting held behind closed doors a resolution setting forth the details of the increase was duly adopted.

In almost every case the petitions of the employees for a raise have been regarded, and although the individual increases are not large, averaging five dollars a month, there are but few cases where the salaries of the petitioners have been allowed to remain as they were last year.

The Victoria Laborers' Protective association has been granted its wish, and the wages of the day laborers in the employ of the city getting less than \$3 a day have been increased twenty-five cents a day; with the stipulation, however, that the men must be bona fide residents of the city.

The recommendation of the Board of Firewardens as to the wages of the firemen has been adopted. The scale of wages recommended by the board was prepared by Chief Watson and is understood to be entirely to the satisfaction of the men, so that the complaints of the firefighters as to the smallness of the pay should now be set at rest. The salary of Chief Watson is raised from \$100 to \$125 a month, while throughout the rest of the department the increase ranges from \$2.50 to \$5.00. In all, the additional pay to the firemen will mean an extra expenditure of \$155 to the city every month.

The petition of the policemen for a raise has been referred to the board of police commissioners.

In the electric light department, the regular staff have each received a raise of \$5 a month.

At the city hall arrangements have been made for two new employees, a measure which will lessen the work of the present officials, and it has been decided to do away with the possibility of a payment of over one month at the city hall are as follows:

Treasurer, raised	\$ 5.00
Assistant treasurer, raised	5.00
Auditor, raised	5.00
City clerk, raised	5.00
Assistant clerk, raised	15.00
Assessor, raised	5.00
Assistant assessor, raised	15.00
Water works foreman, raised ..	5.00
Water works collector, raised ..	5.00
Water works clerk, raised	5.00
Engineer and draftsman, raised ..	5.00
Clerk, raised	10.00
Sanitary inspector, raised	5.00
Plumbing inspector, raised	5.00
Pound keeper, raised	75.00
Cemetery caretaker and assistant, raised	5.00
Carotaker, Old Men's Home, raised	5.00
Janitor, city hall, raised	2.50

A girl stenographer will be engaged for the city hall, to start at a salary of \$30 a month, and additional bookkeeper for the treasurer's office at salary of \$30 a month.

The three engineers at the North Dairy pumping station have received all they asked, and will hereafter be paid an additional wage of \$5 a month.

In all, the increased wage to be paid hereafter to the city employees will mean an additional expenditure to the city of approximately \$20,000 a year. The raise will take effect on March 1.

IRISH COUNCIL BILL TO BE INTRODUCED

New Governing Body to be Partly Nominative and Partly Elective

London, Feb. 14.—Following closely upon his announcement yesterday of the intention of the government to introduce a measure to improve the government of Ireland, Augustine Birrell, chief secretary to the treasury, formally notices today that bill "to establish an Irish council and for other purposes connected therewith," will be introduced. Thus the Liberal government is keeping its promise to the Nationalists to place Irish legislation to the forefront at the present session of parliament. The bill, although all the details have not yet been made public, will provide for a council, in which the elective element will predominate. A number of non-nominative members are retained in order to placate the Liberals who are opposed to an entirely representative body. It is understood also that the council will have extensive administrative powers, but its right to legislate will be limited.

Speaking in the House this evening, Mr. Birrell said the question of the restoration of evicted tenants to their homes was one of primary importance, and that it brooked no delay. He pledged the government to take effective measures to obtain the reinstatement of evicted tenants.

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COMES TO DEFENCE OF MORMON SETTLERS

Hon. Frank Oliver Takes Issue
With Ministers of Presby-
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Ottawa, Feb. 14.—Hon. Frank Oliver takes direct issue with Rev. Professor Kilpatrick of Knox College, Toronto, and with Rev. Dr. Somerville, general agent of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, in their attitude towards Mormon immigration into Alberta.

At a meeting in the Bloor Street Methodist Church, Toronto, Dr. Kilpatrick said: "The greatest grief in Alberta is the Mormon settlement. These people are Mormons first and Canadians afterwards. It is not enough to say that they grow good beans. Do they grow good Canadian citizens?"

Dr. Somerville said: "The Mormon invasion is a sin to be laid at the government's door. They form a dangerous element in Canadian life, and nowhere has the mission board met with such discouragement."

These remarks having been drawn to his attention, Hon. Mr. Oliver said: "It does not seem to me that the remarks do credit to the understanding of the reverend gentlemen who made them, and I hope they are not a fair measure of the Christian spirit of the church in which they are so soon uttered. Dr. Kilpatrick is reported to have said 'the greatest grief in Alberta is the Mormon settlement.' I have lived many years in Alberta, and this is the first time I have heard of Mormon settlements being a cause of grief. The region now occupied by the Mormons was unoccupied until they came. So far as we can see, it would have remained unoccupied for an indefinite period had it not been for their knowledge of like conditions in the United States. The region by which these conditions could be overcome or their disadvantages minimized. They have given an object lesson in agriculture in the southern corner of prairie Canada which has increased the value of the whole semi-arid region of southern Alberta and southwestern Saskatchewan, an area of twenty to thirty million acres."

"Nor can anything be said against their lavableness, intelligent and progressive. With the citizenship of the Mormons the government has all to do. With their religion it has nothing to do. The churches, which exist for the purpose of dealing with matters of conscience, are quite without their rights in discussing the merits or demerits of the religious views of members or adherents of their own or other churches, but they have no right because they dissent from the religious views of a certain body of people to try by misrepresentation to discredit them as citizens, or by the same misrepresentation arouse religious prejudice to be turned to account in party politics."

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occupied that village, the commander thought he was occupying Sandepu, and so reported to me."

Continuing his declaration and criticism of the operations, Kuropatkin complains of Gripenberg for failing to report and confer with him at the critical juncture, though he had telephoned to his command from a room in his headquarters adjoining the apartments from which he was directing operations, adding, however: "Personally Gripenberg could not talk to me on account of his deafness."

Discussing the results of the fighting, Kuropatkin says: "Thus ended our first attempt to adopt the offensive. It cost about ten thousand men. Of the causes of the failure the chief was, of course, negligence in failing to seriously prepare for storming Sandepu, indicating an absence of the respect for our resourceful enemy, which he deserved."

Gripenberg later reported that he was ill, and left for St. Petersburg. "His manner of proceeding in this matter," says Kuropatkin, "sets a most deplorable example, both to those under him and to the other armies, and was calculated to undermine discipline."

Kaulbars at Faulk
Coming to the fighting before Mukden, Kuropatkin says that quick measures were necessary to save the city, and its defense was entrusted to Gen. Kaulbars.

How Kaulbars failed to stop Gen. Nogai's victorious advance is related with much detail, and consists in itself a vivid recital of the blunders, incapacity and consequent disaster. Kaulbars is directly accused of failure to carry out his instructions and of fatal inactivity, in defiance of urgent, reiterated orders at crucial periods of the prolonged and momentous conflict.

Gen. Kuropatkin says Kaulbars was ordered on Feb. 15 by the commander-in-chief to immediately ascertain the precise strength of the enemy; the direction of their movements and their intentions. These orders were frequently repeated, but none were obeyed.

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ed, and the commander-in-chief consequently was forced to make his decisions hastily on information that was false and incomplete. Kaulbars, who had been specifically assigned to the task of arresting Nogai's turning movement, acted under erroneous information and devoted all his time and attention to the movement's of Oku's army on the west front, mistaking it for the forces under Nogai.

GRIM DEATH INTERRUPTS

Wife of Juror in Thaw Trial Died Yesterday

New York, Feb. 14.—Another tragic chapter in the history of the Thaw-White case was written today, when grim death came in to halt the famous trial in its fourth week. The wife of Juror No. 11, Mrs. Joseph B. Bolton, passed away this afternoon soon after her husband had been sworn in.

He had been summoned from the courtroom, where the trial had been in progress for less than fifteen minutes. The formal announcement of Mrs. Bolton's death was made in court shortly after 2 p. m. The hour set for the afternoon session, and Justice Fitzgerald immediately ordered an adjournment of the case until Monday.

The court also ordered, with the consent of counsel, that the other eleven jurors be given their liberty and no longer be held together. The adjournment was to be guided by their honor and their oath, and not to read the newspapers or discuss the Thaw case with anybody.

Dr. Britton D. Evans, superintendent of the New Jersey state hospital for the insane, was recalled as an alienist to continue his direct examination. The witness was asked to detail the examinations he had had on various occasions with Thaw in the Tombs. He has already declared these conversations to be an essential feature of his conclusion that Thaw was of unsound mind at the time of the doctor's first three visits to him, the last being on September 22. Mr. Jerome had withdrawn his objection to the statements by Thaw going into the evidence, and Dr. Evans was about to call in evidence of his first visit on August 4, when the summons for Juror Bolton came.

MILD IN ALBERTA

Field Sports Indulged in—Some Places Flooded

Macleod, Alta., Feb. 14.—Everybody in Alberta rejoices in the magnificent weather we have now been enjoying for over eight days. At the time of sending this despatch football and baseball games are in progress on the town square. The fair sex, clad in light spring clothing, turned out in force to attend the games, and to applaud the football and baseball players. The temperature is 49 degrees above zero, the air is clear and balmy, and farmers are only waiting for the first sign of the spring plowing. Men are employed on five large public buildings in town, and the sounds made by the hammers and saws are heard in all directions.

Lethbridge, Alta., Feb. 14.—Some of the points west and south are reported to be having trouble with water. Stirling is reported to be having a washout owing to the melting of the snow which accumulated in the irrigation canal. The townsite of Cardale is under water, and the lumber yard there is floating. At Raymond the circulation bank has given way and the west end of the town was surrounded by water. The town council donated rubber boots and assisted the company in draining the water off.

NANAIMO BARREL FACTORY

Whaling Company's Reported Plans at the Coal City

Nanaimo, Feb. 14.—The Pacific Whaling Company, which operates the whaling station at Sechart, has signified its intention of establishing a whaling station on one of the islands of Baynes Sound, and is contemplating the erection of a large barrel factory on this island. The island is named after the fact that Nanaimo has been chosen as the location for the factory. Barrels will not only be manufactured on the island, but also for general trade, and 200 men will be employed at the plant when operations commence.

The hall, given under the auspices of the Fraternal Order of Eagles here tonight was the most brilliant social function in the history of Nanaimo. The electrical effects and beautiful decorations in draperies, palms and flowers were simply magnificent. There were a hundred and fifty couples present.

OLD OIL MAN DEAD

Buffalo, Feb. 14.—Joseph P. Dudley died here tonight. Mr. Dudley was a pioneer oilman in the Pennsylvania oil fields. The Empire Oil company, of which he was the head, was merged with the Standard Oil company in 1882, and from that time until 1904 Mr. Dudley represented the Standard in western New York. Mr. Dudley retired from active business in 1904.

TRUSTEES' CONVENTION

Nelson, Feb. 14.—The third annual convention of the trustees of the Nelson and District Hospital was held here this evening with a largely attended at home. The next place of meeting will be New Westminster. The convention was held in the evening, and adopted a resolution requesting the government to make compulsory the flying of the Canadian flag over all schools in the province during school hours daily.

COAL MINER HURT

Coal Creek, B. C., Feb. 14.—John O'Reilly, a miner in No. 27 mine here, was badly injured by a fall of rock last night, being bruised about the shoulders and chest, and having his head crushed. He was taken to the Fernie hospital.

TELEPHONE GIRLS' HOURS

Toronto, Feb. 14.—Medical experts at the telephone commission, testified that eight hours per day was too long a shift, and that a reduction of day operators should be relieved. Dr. Sheard thought five hours per day was long enough, and \$10 was reasonable salary.

DROWNED IN ARROW LAKE

Nelson, Feb. 14.—Word reached here tonight of the drowning on Vancouver Island, on the Lower Arrow lake of Robt. Kyle, a trapper, living at Brooklyn. He was an Irishman forty-five years old, and leaves a wife and family. The wife is very ill. She has relatives either in Rossland or Nelson.

MISS MILLS HONORED

Miss L. A. Mills of this city has received word from London that she has been made an associate of the Royal Drawing Society of Great Britain and Ireland. Miss Mills has been a member of the society for a number of years past, and yearly sends specimens of the works of her pupils to the annual exhibitions. One of her students, a youthful Victorian, has won the gold medal of the society for his work, and it is largely owing to the success of her pupils that the society has paid her the honor of making her an associate.

Miss Mills has a very recent certificate, but it will be forwarded just as soon as it has been signed by H. R. H. Princess Louise, the president of the organization.

WILL EXPLOIT COAL LANDS IN THE NORTH

Many Companies Incorporated
During Past Week—Notices
in Current Gazette

The large number of applications for timber licenses and to purchase lands are apparent in the current edition of the Gazette, no less than 41 of the former being given initial notice.

Graham Island coal lands are also the subject of exploitation. Twenty miles near Masset Inlet are included in applications for prospecting licenses.

The Dimley Automobile Co., Ltd. of this city, has been incorporated with a capital of \$100,000. Other companies receiving certificates during the past week are British America Lumber and Trading Co., Ltd., capital \$100,000; the Investor Ltd., capital \$50,000; North West Lumber Co., Ltd., capital \$50,000; Pacific Coast Lumber Mills, Ltd., capital \$50,000, to take over the business of the Pacific Coast Lumber Co., Ltd., of Vancouver; Burrard Realty and Investment Co., Ltd., capital \$25,000 and Hill-Tout Lumber Co., Ltd., capital \$50,000.

A new fire insurance company has received a license to carry on business, the Traders Fire Insurance company, of Toronto, capital \$1,000,000. Hobson & Co., of Vancouver, are attorneys in British Columbia. Others receiving the same privilege are Kelly Brothers, Mitchell, Ltd., of Winnipeg, capital \$200,000, W. H. Bourke, of Vancouver, attorney; and the Columbia Valley Land Co., also of Winnipeg, capital \$100,000, R. W. Hannington, of Nelson, attorney.

One extra-provincial company has been registered during the past week, the Butte Timber Co. of Seattle, capital \$12,000. E. P. Brenner, of Vancouver, is named as attorney.

Barnard and Robertson, of Victoria, give the usual notice to creditors as solicitors on behalf of J. Townsley and Henry Thamer, executors under the will of George Eberton, deceased. Bodwell and Lawson publish notice on behalf of John B. Young, under the Quietling Titles Act, for adverse claimants to the west half of lot 74, Victoria city.

Notice is also given of the annual general meeting of the Pacific Coast Fire Insurance Co., to be held at the offices, 321 Cambia street, Vancouver, at 4 p. m., on Feb. 20.

Only one appointment is gazetted, that of Ralph T. Hutton, of Wharrock, to be a Justice of the peace.

THE STAGE

The Fast Mail

The Fast Mail is one of Lincoln J. Carter's first efforts as a playwright, and the number of seasons it has been on the road argues well for the position Mr. Carter now possesses as one of the few great dramatists and producers in America. The play is simple and direct in its theme, the scenic arrangements, which are all new this season, are the wonder of the theatrical world, and the two seem to fit and harmonize in such a way that one is not left to say that the play was written to fit the scenery, but that the scenery, indeed, unique as the effects are, they are surpassed by the exciting and plausible plot of the story. This attraction will be at the Victoria Theatre on Monday next.

College Play for the Masses

That it is not necessary for everyone who enjoys a college play to be a collegian has been proven by the charm the new college play, "At Yale," in which popular Paul Gilmore appears at the Victoria Theatre on Tuesday next, is proving for the great masses of people of all sorts and conditions. The young man likes it because it gives him a glimpse into that life of which he knows nothing, and of which he is longing to have just such a peep. The old people enjoy it because it thrills them with the pulse-beat of the great life outside their own. The young lady enjoys it because it is heroic and pictures in all its glory the athletic collegian. The youngsters enjoy it because of the excitement of the race and because of the virility of the hero, and the cowardice of the foiled villain. And so all classes are enticed to go to see the play, and, having seen it once, wish to see it again, and where that is impossible, wish to have their friends see it.

PARISH CHURCH BURNED

St. Hyacinthe, Que., Feb. 14.—The parish church in the village of St. Anne, Richelieu county, was burned to the ground. Loss, \$75,000.

A CITY OF CARAVANS.

The first of November is the official beginning of winter in Paris; then—no matter what the temperature be—fires are lit in the schools and public buildings, and the janitor turns on the heat for the sad race of flat dwellers. Then all the smaller shows (which cannot pay for a "stand" in the streets or squares) go into winter quarters. Where? I found a city of them out in the waste lands by the great gate of Montreuil. In an empty lot were scores of caravans drawn up behind the wooden palisades—ranged so as to form veritable streets, named after this showman or that. Dogs, chickens, rabbits, children, swarmed everywhere. Caravans of smoke rose from the chimneys of the wagons. Gaudy rags were drying on lines. Will you look in one of the vans? It has two rooms; in one are the beds; the other is for eating. On all sides the walls are lined with closets and drawers. A little stove glows near the door. Here they are born, they live and die, the eternal dynasties of the voyagers—Vance Thompson in The Outing Magazine.

DEEPEST HOLE IN EARTH.

Men of science are interested in all very deep borings in the earth on account of the opportunity which they offer for experiments on the internal temperature of the globe.

The very deepest hole that man has yet succeeded in making in the earth is said to be near Rybnik in Silesia, where a boring through strata of coal and rock has reached a depth of about 6,770 feet. The deepest boring in this country is believed to be an oil well at Pittsburg, which has reached a depth of 5,740 feet, but is to be bored much deeper for the sake of the information it may furnish to science.

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FRENCH CHURCH CONTRACTS

Civil Authorities and Bishops Are
Near an Agreement

Paris, Feb. 14.—M. Bland, the minister of education is silent relative to the negotiations between Mgr. Amette, the coadjutor bishop of Paris, and the prefect of the Seine on the subject of the modified contract for the lease of the churches, but it is known drafts of the contracts, practically identical in substance, have already been exchanged, with only differences in words separating the negotiators, and it is said that the parish priests of Paris and M. Desvels may exchange signatures before the week-end.

The draft drawn up by Mgr. Amette requires a priest who replaces another priest at the head of the parish to present to the mayor of the district, or prefect, a notification bearing his bishop's seal, whereupon the mayor or will accept the new priest's signature as a legal successor to the old contract.

RAID BY PULAJANES

Two Towns Burned and Members of
Constabulary Killed

Manila, Feb. 14.—Pulajanes attacked and burned two towns in the province of Occidental Negros yesterday and killed six members of the constabulary. Two American teachers were reported missing.

No cause is known for the uprising. Raids were made within areas of ten miles and schools were attacked and burned in both instances.

The province of Occidental Negros has been free from disturbances for four years. It is believed that the raiders were mountaineers avenging their hereditary enmity against coast towns.

ACCUSED OF THEFT

Guelph, Ont., Feb. 14.—The police are after William Beach, cashier of Case, Bond & Co. hardware store. He is alleged to have left for the south with \$700 of the firm's money.

VARIETY OF VIEWS ON LABOR QUESTION

Members of Board of Trade Discuss Means of Securing
Toilers

COMMITTEE TACKLES PROBLEM

Will Investigate and Report on All
Phases of the Vexing
Situation

The scarcity of labor in British Columbia and the best means of solving the problem were the subjects discussed at a general meeting of the Board of Trade held yesterday afternoon. While the opinion that the development of the province was threatened because of the extreme difficulty everywhere experienced in procuring workmen was unanimous, the views expressed as to the most advisable policy to adopt in order to bring about the desired relief were varied. The majority appeared to think that it would be unwise to lower the poll tax upon Chinese, but all were united in the belief that the agricultural industry, the operation of the factories already established and the further exploitation of the natural resources of British Columbia, would be retarded unless something were done to induce large numbers of laborers to come here during the present year.

Finally a special committee was appointed to investigate the question in all its phases, to interview the provincial government, and to submit a detailed report to the board as early as possible. Resolutions also were moved, one proposing that the Dominion government should be requested to take the matter up and the other providing that the federal authorities should be petitioned to reduce the head tax upon Orientals from \$500 to \$100. These, however, were not voted upon because of the lack of a quorum, a number having left during the discussion.

P. A. Paulsen, the vice-president, occupied the chair.

The secretary reported that at the last meeting a committee had been appointed to wait upon the provincial government in regard to the best policy for overcoming the difficulty by securing labor from the provinces, owing to the lack of labor. Owing to the dissolution of the legislature, it had been impossible to arrange the proposed interview.

Ship-Building Subsidy

A communication was read from the Toronto branch of the Navy League, asking that the board support a bill before the federal authorities for the appointment of a royal commission to look into the conditions of the shipbuilding trade in the Maritime provinces in order that something might be done to encourage that industry.

U. P. Bullen said that he had interviewed the minister of marine while in the East. The minister had stated that a deputation from the Atlantic coast had waited upon him in reference to shipbuilding. It was his intention, he had told Mr. Bullen, to consider the advisability of arranging for a bonus to Canadian shipbuilders. As far as he could gather, the government heretofore had not appeared to thoroughly understand the conditions. He had been able to make things clear, he thought. He had pointed out that vessels built in the Old Country could be brought to the Dominion free of duty. Therefore there was little inducement to those requiring ships to have them constructed by Canadian firms. In his opinion something might be done to bring pressure to bear upon the federal authorities to take some action such as the granting of an appropriation for bonusing enterprising shipbuilding firms.

Upon motion, it was unanimously decided that the board should accede to the request of the aforementioned communication.

Scarcity of Labor

The chairman introduced the question of labor. There was no doubt but that it was an important issue because it was imperative that there should be a cheap class of labor available in order that the progress of the province should continue unhampered.

J. A. Sayward endorsed the remarks of the previous speaker. He could foresee that, if there was no immediate relief, many of the manufacturing industries would be unable to carry on throughout the summer months. Certainly Chinese could not be procured as long as the \$500 head tax was maintained. He thought that unless some solution of the problem

was attained the whole province would be "fled up" in the near future. The secretary, in this connection, read the appended communication from the Montreal Board of Trade:

To His Excellency the Right Honorable Earl Grey, G.C.M.G., Governor-General of the Dominion of Canada in Council:

The petition of the Council of the Montreal Board of Trade humbly sheweth:

That the scarcity of skilled and unskilled labor is so great in the Dominion of Canada, and that such scarcity is retarding the development of our country.

That labor is generally needed on the Pacific Coast for the building of the Canadian Pacific and the Northern Railway, and in the Northwest during the harvest season.

That men are most generally required for the construction of the Grand Trunk Pacific railway, also for the extensions being made by the Canadian Pacific and the Great Northern.

That much of the work to be performed is of a class for which it is most difficult, if not impossible, to secure white men, and your petitioners believe that the time has arrived when the government should permit a restricted importation of Chinese labor, which has in the past been so largely and so successfully used in the construction of other transcontinental railways.

Wherefore your petitioners pray that your excellency in Council may be pleased to consider the desirability of temporarily removing, under certain restrictions, the head tax upon Chinese labor, and to adopt such measures as you may in your wisdom deem advisable to meet the situation.

And your petitioners, as in duty bound, will ever pray.

Signed on behalf of the Council of the Montreal Board of Trade, this 14th day of February, 1907.

F. H. MATTHEWSON, President.
GEO. HADRIEL, Secretary.

Favors White Workers

W. J. Pendray had nothing particular to say with respect to the Chinese undoubtedly laborers were needed and he did not know what was going to be done during the summer. The indications were that there was going to be a rush of business during the next few months. Personally he was in favor of continental immigration, preferring, if possible, to obtain white employees. But it was absolutely necessary that hands should be available in order that all industries should be maintained.

Factories Throttled

Mr. Bullen remarked that if nothing was done the situation would become even more serious than at present. He contended that many of the advantages of the Chinese laborers, the conditions and forcing the hands of the employers to such an extent that the factories were being throttled. He was of the opinion that a committee should be appointed to investigate and to wait upon the government in order to secure some relief and to come to some understanding likely to bring about the required relief.

Another Question Raised

T. W. Paterson stated that if a committee was appointed it should be instructed to go to the root of the situation. It should find out why living was as expensive in British Columbia now as was the case in 1885. Also, he thought it should be ascertained, how it was that the coming of Chinese labor did not, as a rule, remain. To his mind it was not altogether a question of Chinese labor. He did not think that Orientals were a cheap form of labor. He had not found it so in his experience. Any committee appointed to investigate the labor problem would have to enter into its every phase. Only by so doing could it be hoped to reach a solution of the difficulty.

Competitive Danger

Richard Hall believed that the views of Mr. Sayward were correct. It was necessary that immigration should be stimulated in some way. If nothing was done the scale of wages would be so increased that it would be impossible for the local industrial establishments to compete with the Americans.

Farmers Suffer Most

D. R. Ker did not think that the door would ever again be opened to Chinese. He could not see any reason for prohibiting that form of immigration providing the Orientals were restricted to certain lines of labor. There was no doubt that there was no objection to their employment in clearing land or in domestic service. He thought the poll tax should be removed for these specific purposes. Of course he realized that if anything were done along this line there immediately would be a clamor to allow Chinese to come in without any such restriction imposed upon their employment. The farmers upon whom they were suffering more because of the scarcity of labor than anyone else. Last year some of them had been forced to pay as much as \$3 a day. This was a ridiculous wage for the harvesting of crops. Therefore he was of the opinion that the suggestion that a live committee be appointed was a good one.

Different in United States

Ald. Henderson thought it strange that the scarcity experienced here was not felt on the other side of the boundary line. As was well known, the immigration of Chinese and Japanese into the United States was restricted. He had noticed that Scandinavians and other Europeans seemed to naturally settle in the States. How they were attracted there he could only surmise, but he was of the opinion that it would be wise to endeavor to bring some of these people to British Columbia. Although, naturally, it would be preferable to obtain Britishers, he thought that the class mentioned would be able to adapt themselves to the conditions prevailing in this province.

He thought it would be undesirable to add the country with Chinese. Such measure might help for a short time, but it would not effect any permanent relief. Any step that was taken, he thought, should be directed towards obtaining white labor.

Money Must Be Spent

Thomas Davis pointed out that hundreds of thousands of dollars had been expended by California in order to obtain settlers. If British Columbia wanted the same people it would have to make a similar outlay. It could not be expected that these people would come here without money. Besides, settlers were not what was wanted particularly, but a class of unskilled labor.

Conditions Not Known

H. B. Thomson thought that Mr. Henderson had struck the keynote of the situation. He was of the opinion that outsiders did not understand the conditions prevailing here. If they were enlightened by means of literature placed in the office of the agent-general in London, for distribution, many might be persuaded to embark for western Canada. At present there was comparatively little known of the country and until the knowledge of local conditions became more widespread it would be difficult to induce the people of the Old Country to come. His experience had been that those wishing to emigrate wanted first to know something about the province and also to be assured of employment upon arrival. These were points

which, he thought, should be borne in mind.

Galicians Suggested

C. H. Lugin suggested that the committee be appointed should investigate the desirability of the classes which had come to the Northwest from southern Europe being brought to British Columbia. J. Obed Smith of Winnipeg could give as much information upon this point as anyone else in Canada. He had been informed that the reason why these people had not come west of the Rockies was because of the heavy transportation rates. He had been told that the Galicians were excellent laborers, the women being splendid domestic servants, and the men hardworking. The Scandinavians also were industrious and of good habits. Personally he did not think it would be advisable to bring out large numbers of the unemployed of England. The "unemployed bred unemployed." In regard to the immigration of Chinese, he thought the present situation should have been foreseen when the prohibitive tax was imposed. And arrangements should have been made in preparation for the contingency which now had to be faced.

Winter Employment

Mr. Paterson wanted to know what would be done with the laborers in the winter, if sufficient were imported to meet the summer demand. He knew that only one-third could be employed throughout the year. Unless this phase of the question could be overcome it would be practically impossible to cope with the situation.

Mr. Sayward was of the opinion that the farmers could give large numbers employment in clearing land. "Yes, but you don't think the winter the best time for clearing land, do you?" asked Mr. Paterson.

Mr. Sayward replied that it was not the best season, but that it was by no means impossible to do such work at that time.

G. A. Kirk thought a point which had been overlooked was the fact that there was no immigration rate over the C. P. R. to British Columbia. If this was arranged, the laborers required could come west during the busy season and return with the advent of "slack times."

Committee Appointed

Mr. Bullen moved, and J. W. Ambery seconded, that a committee be appointed to investigate and report fully upon the matter. This carried.

The following committee was selected: T. W. Paterson, Anton Henderson and J. W. Pendray.

Mr. Thomson suggested that some action might be taken without delay by communicating with the Dominion government.

Mr. Bullen thought something should be done towards bringing about the introduction of immigration rates over the C. P. R. to British Columbia.

Nothing was done, however, along this line.

Resolution and Amendment

Mr. Bullen moved, and Mr. Thomson seconded, that the appended resolution be forwarded to the Dominion government:

"That the scarcity of skilled and unskilled labor is so great in the Dominion of Canada, and that such scarcity is retarding the development of the province; therefore, he it resolved, that the Dominion government be respectfully requested to immediately take such action as may in their opinion be deemed advisable to meet the situation."

Mr. Sayward, seconded by Mr. Davis, moved in amendment: "That the Dominion government be petitioned to reduce the head tax upon Chinese from \$500 to \$100."

When the chairman came to place the latter before the meeting, it was found that the departure of some members had left the meeting without a quorum. The amendment and resolution could, therefore, not be voted upon.

The meeting then adjourned.

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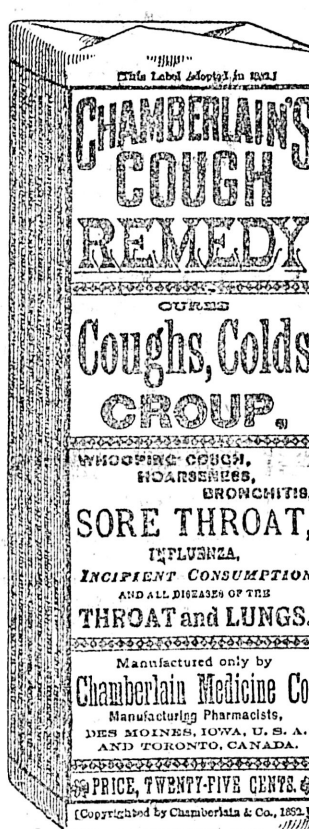
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THE LABOR QUESTION

The Board of Trade discussed the shortage of labor yesterday afternoon, and a committee was appointed to investigate the subject. The discussion was somewhat informal—that is, there were no set speeches made, although the question is one upon which some competent person might prepare himself to speak exhaustively, with great advantage to the community. There is no doubt at all that British Columbia has suffered, and will continue to suffer, from a paucity of unskilled labor. A few of those who spoke expressed themselves in quite a pronounced way upon the desirability of reducing the head tax on Chinamen to such a sum as they would pay; but the general opinion seemed to be that such a course ought to be only a last resort. Several of the speakers brought up the proposal that Chinamen should be admitted, but that the lines of work in which they should be permitted to engage should be restricted. As the matter looks to us, this is an impracticable scheme. Dismissing all questions of conflicting legislative authority and such others as might arise upon the interpretation of treaties, what would be done in case the number of Chinamen, who entered the country, should be in excess of the number who could find employment in the lines of work to which they would be restricted? Would they have to remain idle? And supposing that some half dozen lines of work were named as those in which they might engage, how long would it be before the employers of labor in other lines would demand that Chinese labor should be made available to them? We fear that any plan that could be proposed would prove unworkable, unless some such system as was adopted in the Transvaal were resorted to, and the men were brought into the country under contract and kept in a condition not very greatly removed from temporary slavery. It will hardly be claimed that the people of British Columbia are prepared for that. As we look at the matter, if Chinese are to be admitted at all, they must be accorded exactly the same opportunities of making a living as are available to white men, and as this would, in our judgment, be highly undesirable, we see no other course than to continue the present head tax and look for the needed labor elsewhere.

There is no dispute about the seriousness of the situation, but at the same time no one can claim that a serious attempt has been made to meet the shortage, which we all knew would arise when we agitated for a prohibitive head tax. Within the last few months the local government has negotiated with the Salvation Army with the view of obtaining laborers and servants, but there has not yet been time for these efforts to bear fruit. This is not the only line of action open, and while we fully appreciate the duty of the provincial government in the premises, we do not acquit the Dominion of all responsibility. The labor shortage is general, and the general government ought to endeavor to meet the demand in some way. If it does so, its efforts ought not to be confined to any particular part of the Dominion, but ought to embrace the whole country. We are very strongly of the opinion that if the advantages offered by British Columbia to workmen were better known in Europe, where as a matter of fact they are probably hardly known at all, there would be no greater difficulty in getting the right kind of immigrants here than there is to induce them to go to other parts of the Continent.

There is a piece of legislation on the statute book in this province, which militates against the securing of necessary labor. It is the act which forbids contracts to be made outside of the province for persons to come here and engage in any work. We fancy it would be exceedingly difficult to name a case where anyone was ever injured by the lack of such a law, or benefited by its existence. It was a piece of legislation which, like many other things, seemed very valuable in theory, but does much more harm than good in practice; but be this as it may, the labor question must be handled in some way, and the action of the Board of Trade will, we hope, result in some useful light being thrown upon it.

A ROAD TO COWICHAN

We have an interesting letter this morning from a correspondent upon the very important proposal for the construction of a highway from a point at or near Goldstream to Mill Bay, by way of the west shore of Saanich Inlet. Our correspondent thinks that the E. & N. Railway company would favor this project, and such a conclusion seems highly reasonable, for railways without highway roads are never fully successful. Instead of the railway losing business

by the construction of such a highway, it would be greatly the gainer thereby. The time is rapidly coming when suburban homes, hotels and pleasure resorts will be much more numerous than they are at present in the vicinity of Victoria, and there is no better place for them than along the shores of Saanich Inlet. That is a beautiful sheet of water. It is impossible to imagine one more so. It is true that on the west shore there is not much level land, but for the purposes referred to the conformation of the surface is not very material, provided there is space for buildings and moderately large ornamental grounds. The Inlet is sheltered from the prevailing summer winds, and we should suppose that during the season of the year, when people would resort to it, boating upon its waters would be about as safe as upon Victoria Arm.

Victoria possesses an almost priceless asset in Saanich Inlet, in view of the fact that we regard as one of the factors in the future prosperity of the city its suitability as a great pleasure resort. Beautiful as are the immediate surroundings of the city, they are not equal to some localities a little off the main traveled roads, and among them all the shores of this Inlet stand preeminent. Sir George Robertson, of Chitral fame, who visited the Inlet several years ago, said that in his journeys about the world, and he had been almost everywhere that people go to see natural beauty, he never saw anything more lovely than this sheet of water. Some few Victorians have taken the advantage of the occasional steamer trips that have been made as far as Tod Inlet, and they are of one mind in their appreciation of its attractiveness. The time is not far away, when a few weeks or months spent on those shores, or at least a brief visit to them, will be regarded as forming a part of the summer outing of thousands of people.

But perhaps we are wandering rather far afield from the matter of the highway. As requested by our correspondent, we are having a sketch map prepared to show the location of the proposed road, and when it is ready, it will be printed with some information about it and its usefulness for more prosaic purposes than those mentioned above. But while speaking of the subject in connection with summer travel, we would like to draw attention to the fact that over on Puget Sound there is a population that has already reached the half million mark, and will not be long in reaching a million. There are no places in the State of Washington at all comparable to the surroundings of Victoria, and from the rapidly increasing population, among whom the number of people of means is very large proportionately, this locality will draw a great number of visitors, just as soon as we are ready to provide for them. Seaside hotels, and roads adopted for automobilizing, with convenient opportunities for sea and fresh water fishing, will form an irresistible combination. There is not the least reason to doubt that, if we make the most of our natural advantages, in the course of a very few years the value of the summer travel to Victoria will exceed a million dollars annually. We will draw from all directions. The people who build up Prince Rupert will spend a great deal of their time here. Yearly the number of persons from Central Canada who will visit us and remain for longer or shorter periods will increase. Vancouver will swell the tide, and from all over the North-western States we may look for an army of summer visitors. On the Atlantic Coast the greatest factor in building up summer resorts is their accessibility. Said one of the passenger agents of a leading railway company: "If you can show me a place to which I can send people, and the head of the family may be able to spend a part of Saturday, and all of Sunday, and get back to his business at a reasonable hour on Monday, I will fill it with families who will stay all summer." There are at present more than half a million people who would find just such places in and around Victoria, and we can feel very certain that just as soon as we provide accommodation for them, hundreds of families will spend a part at least of the summer with us.

A USEFUL EXAMPLE

Among the visitors to Victoria at the present time is Mr. H. A. Mullins, of Winnipeg. Mr. Mullins is one of the largest Canadian exporters of cattle, and he was formerly the general manager of the great Cochrane ranch. Mr. Mullins was at one time a member of the Manitoba legislature. It has been his custom to take his wife and daughter every year either to Toronto or England to spend the winter, but one day a pamphlet came to his home from the Tourist Association of this city, in which Victoria was referred to as "a little bit of England." Mr. Mullins being an ardent Canadian resolved to see if things were as attractive here as they are portrayed by the Association, and so he exchanged the tickets, which he had already bought for Toronto, for tickets to Victoria and came here. He has been here about a month and so greatly pleased has he been with what he has seen that he has invested quite largely in city property and contemplates a large expenditure in the building way. He says that he will probably ultimately make his permanent home here, and at any rate may be counted upon to spend his winters with his family in this city. Mr. Mullins was good enough to volunteer this information, because he said

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he thought the work of the Tourist Association might perhaps not be as much appreciated here as it ought to be.

Mr. Mullins is an enthusiast over the future of Victoria. Our climate he regards as an asset of incalculable advantage, and enough of itself to draw a very large population from Central Canada. But he is not one of those who think that all we have to look for is a residential city and a popular tourist resort, for he believes the development of the country generally and Vancouver Island in particular, combined with the immense possibilities of Oriental trade, will be instrumental in building up here an important commercial and industrial centre. Not only he but scores of other visitors, who have been in Victoria during this winter, have expressed these ideas. They all say that we are now just where Winnipeg stood a few years ago, when its townspeople were uncertain as to what the future had in store. Developments have far exceeded all anticipations, and just so will it be with Victoria. We have entered upon a period of steady and rapid expansion. One of the most valuable features of the movement now going on consists in the fact that it is bringing here many energetic men in the very prime of life, with abundant means and plenty of business sagacity and energy. Such men cannot fail to make our city a good one. They have not come here to sit down and live on the interest on their investments. They have been accustomed to do things and they will continue to do them. Men who have made their way in the world rarely retire. They may change their occupations, but they always want to be engaged in active life. Thus it is that, by securing the class of residents who are now coming to Victoria, our city is a very great gainer. We are very sure that Colonist readers will join with us in thanking Mr. Mullins for the opportunity he has given us to present the above ideas to them.

THE PRICE OF WHEAT

A despatch in yesterday's Colonist spoke of the shortage in the possible supply of wheat from Russia as likely to be of great benefit to the farmers of Canada, who have not yet marketed their grain. Usually the great European empire may be counted upon to supply a very large portion of the grain needed in other parts of that continent. Great Britain being a large buyer. The famine now prevailing is exceedingly severe. People are selling their children, when they can find purchasers. Many of them are purchased to be employed as household servants, but the fate of others is far worse. The unhappy parents are far from desiring to part with their children, but as they say, anything is better than starvation. There is some certainty that the children will be fed in their new homes, and the price paid for them will keep the parents for a time at least. Fortunately we in this part of the world are not likely ever to pass through such experiences, and the only interest most of us have in what is occurring in Russia arises from the fact that Canadian wheat will be higher. This doubtless augurs a great lack of humanity, but there seems to be very little that we can do to help the suffering subjects of the Czar. But it is not the present famine only that will affect the price of wheat. The effect of this alone would not be very great. The real cause is to be sought in the diminishing fertility of the "Black Earth" country, which is the great wheat land of Russia. For many generations it has been tilled, and the measures taken to maintain its fertility have never been what they ought to be. Only the marvellous richness of the soil prevented it from being exhausted long ago. The poverty of the people is extreme, and they are not able to keep cattle so as to enrich the land in that way, and artificial fertilizers are altogether out of the question. Russia is suffering today from the fact that the produce of the soil has been shipped out of the country and nothing has been done to restore the elements that are thus taken away.

The prospect of a substantial increase in the price of wheat is of very great importance to the whole of Canada, for it will lead to a great influx of people to the wheat-growing areas. Especially will it stimulate emigration from the United States, where the wheat-growing lands are much less productive than they were a few years ago. With wheat worth close to \$1.00 a bushel, a difference in yield of from 5 to 10 bushels per acre will have a very potent influence in determining the action of people, who expect to make their living by growing this grain.

In our evening contemporary there is an interesting article upon the tides as a source of power, and special reference is made to a proposal in New Brunswick to utilize the great tides in the Bay of Fundy for power purposes, although some doubt is expressed of the feasibility of the plan. It is strange how quickly people forget things. Where the Intercolonial Railway station in St. John now stands there was once a mill-pond, which was filled and emptied as the

tide rose and fell, and the power thus developed was used to drive sawmills. The potential power of the tides is incalculable.

A few weeks ago there was a total eclipse of the sun, and the only place it was visible was in Tibet. The duration of totality was only two minutes; yet notwithstanding the chance of the sky being obscured, two expeditions set out to observe it. What success they met with will not be known for some time yet. Truly science is enterprising.

The greatest possible interest will be taken in all parts of the British Empire in the measure which the Imperial Government proposes to bring down to provide for local self-government for Ireland. Time was when people in Canada accepted the opinions of the London press with implicit confidence, but they have learned of recent years to take what those papers say with quite as many grains of allowance as would be advisable in the case of statements by Canadian party papers. Therefore we need not adopt the views expressed in London periodicals as finally settling anything one way or the other, but would be wise to await the introduction of the measure itself and hear the arguments for and against it, before coming to any conclusion in respect to it.

Some attention has recently been given by the British press to the gold mines of Siberia, perhaps chiefly because there seems to be a fear of a shortage in the gold supply of the world. From what has been published, it seems as if the popular opinion of the wealth of these mines is much exaggerated. The auriferous district is about forty miles square and it is rich in gold-bearing rock, but the annual output is only some 90,000 ounces, which is worth considerably under \$2,000,000. Mining is carried on in a very primitive way, and nothing like the best results are obtained. It is done chiefly by people, who lease the privilege from the owner of the land, and by the terms of their agreement they sell the gold to the landlord, receiving on an average about \$11.00 per ounce for it. They are restricted in sinking their shafts to such a depth as reaches the water-level.

WILLIAM COLDWELL DEAD

Passing of Aged Journalist Who Suffered for Years

The death occurred yesterday morning of William Coldwell at his residence in Burns street, Oak Bay avenue.

Decceased, who was a native of London, England, was 72 years of age. He was a journalist by profession, and spent many years of his life in Dublin, Ireland, which he quitted for Canada in 1884, spending some time in the East. He came to Victoria two years ago, and took up his residence with his son, George Coldwell, of this city. The deceased gentleman for many years suffered from locomotor ataxia, and had been for thirty years a confirmed invalid.

He leaves a wife, who is at present at Rosser, Man., and two children, Mrs. Mary Fowler of Armstrong, and George Coldwell of this city, to mourn his loss. The funeral arrangements have not yet been completed.

LEGAL INTELLIGENCE

In re Lonsdale Estate. (Before Hunter, C. J., Martin and Morrison, J. J.) Appeal from an order made by Irving, J., at Chambers in Vancouver on the 7th of September, 1906.

The trustees of the estate of Arthur Penberton Heywood Lonsdale, deceased, submitted to the municipal council of North Vancouver, a plan showing a subdivision of a portion of lot 255, Group 1, New Westminster District, in pursuance of Section 68 of the Land Registry Act. The plan showed a portion of the lot abutting on the waterfront, left not subdivided, the strip so remaining averaging some 400 feet along the end of the lot between First street and the waterfront. The revenue clerk to Irving, J., a writ of mandamus was issued directing the trustee to certify the plan in compliance with Section 68. From this the municipal council appealed.

Section 68 of the Land Registry Act, Cap. 23, of 1906, dealing with the subdivision of land into town or other lots, provides inter alia, that, in case a lot borders on the shores of any navigable water, streets leading to and continuing to such water must be shown at a not greater distance apart than six hundred feet.

Held, that the object of the section was to require land abutting on navigable waters to be subdivided so as to provide straight and continuous access to the water at intervals of not less than 600 feet.

Per Martin, J.:—The section does not apply unless the streets leading to the water reach it.

Mr. A. D. Taylor for appellant; Mr. Davis, K. C., for respondent. McGregor v. The Canadian Consolidated Mines, Limited. (Before Hunter, C. J., Martin and Clement, J. J.) Rule 21a of section 22 of the Inspection of Metalliferous Mines Act, as enacted by Section 12 of Chapter 37 of 1902, provides that "every person who is employed or about a metalliferous mine in which the machinery hereinafter mentioned shall be operated for more than twenty-four hours in any twenty-four hours, shall be provided with any such duties for more than eight hours in any twenty-four, shall be guilty of an offence under this Act."

Held, that the phrase "machinery hereinafter mentioned," must be read distributively; or as meaning "any of" the machinery hereinafter mentioned.

Held, also, that the words "preceding section," in rule 21b, refer to the preceding rule.

Decision of Duff, J., affirmed. Mr. A. H. MacNeill, K. C., for appellants; Mr. Maclean, K. C., (D. A. G.), for provincial government; the Attorney-General for the Dominion not being represented.

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Bible Reading.

Ven Archdeacon Phair of Winnipeg, who is on a visit to this city will conduct a Bible reading in the schoolroom of the Church of Our Lord this afternoon at 3:30. Those who have met the Archdeacon will be glad of this opportunity of hearing him open up the Scriptures, and all are invited to be present.

Interesting Address

Rev. J. Antle, of the mission ship Columbia, delivered a most interesting address in Christ Church cathedral schoolroom last night to a large and appreciative audience. He talked at length the work being done at the logging camps on the Mainland coast, and showed with what great appreciation the visits of the boat are received.

St. Paul's Church Contributes

In the report of the annual meeting of the congregation of St. Paul's Presbyterian church, published in yesterday's issue of the Colonist, the amount raised during the year should have been stated as \$2,023. The contributions towards missionary and benevolent objects were from the Y. P. S. C. E. and Sunday school, and not from the Ladies' Aid society.

Change at Port Simpson

Steamer Tees, which arrived yesterday from northern British Columbia ports, brought news that the Hotel Northern at Port Simpson has changed hands. George Rudge has sold out to a company, and the former steward of the Cunliffhams' hotel at Port Essington, who is interested with the purchasers, is in charge of the hotel. It has been greatly improved, refurnished and renovated.

Swanson Remanded

James Swanson, arrested on account of the holdup on the Indian reserve on Tuesday, and charged with the assault upon W. W. Thompson, was remanded until today. It had been expected that Swanson's companion who participated in the attack upon Thompson would be arrested, but he escaped to Seattle, and a request sent to the Seattle police asking that he be arrested was without result.

Socials Grow Popular

The regular weekly social under the auspices of the Fernwood Young Men's association was held last evening in their clubhouse, and a good number of the members were present. These socials are becoming very popular, and last evening there were no less than five tables of 500 in progress, with several onlookers. The tournament was won by Charles Unwin with 220 points to his credit, while the prize for low went to E. Harrison with 980 points.

Latest from Alberni

Returns received yesterday from the outlying polling places in the Alberni district place the majority of H. C. Brewster the Liberal candidate at an total of 32. The latest figures follow: Cape Scott: Brewster, Lib. 6; Manson, Con. 10; Cartwright, Soc. 1. Quatsino: Brewster, Lib. 4; Manson, Con. 5; Cartwright, Soc. 6. Kyquoy is the only place yet to hear from, and from what can be gathered there are only two votes to be polled there. At any rate there are not sufficient to affect the result. The election of Mr. Brewster therefore is assured.

Memory of Miss Willard

A service in memory of the late Francis E. Willard was held at the residence of Mrs. Teague yesterday afternoon. It was opened by devotional exercises led by Mrs. (Rev.) Thompson, Mrs. Spofford and Mrs. McDonald, after which an interesting address was delivered by the venerable Archdeacon Phair of Winnipeg. Miss Thompson contributed to the programme by singing two solos; and Mrs. Spofford and Mrs. Grant of Point Ellice read extracts from the life of Miss Willard. A hearty welcome was extended on behalf of the local branch of the W. C. T. U. to the many visiting friends—Mrs. (Capt.) Irving, Mrs. Gibson of Winnipeg, Mrs. Atkin of London, Ont., and many others. Refreshments were served in the course of the afternoon, and a hearty vote of thanks was tendered to Mrs. Teague. The meeting closed with prayer by the president, Mrs. McNaughton. A collection, which was liberally contributed to, was taken in aid of the World's W. C. T. U. missions.

Unique Windows.—Fell & Co.'s windows, corner Fort and Broad streets, have been the subject of much admiration for the past day or two, and attracted the notice of all who passed that way. The windows were aglow with the richest products of many artists, who, in the presence of the four artistically designed roosters, perched upon a sack of B. & K. Rolled Oats, with a card hanging from the beak of each bird, containing the words, "We Crow for B. & K. Rolled Oats," printed in legible letters. The artistic arrangement of the immense windows blended well, and showed to good effect, reflecting credit on the parties who carried out the arrangement.

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ROAD TO COWICHAN GOOD FOR VICTORIA

Man Acquainted With the Country Points Out Some Advantages

Interest in the subject of a road to Cowichan is becoming quite acute, and the following letter from a well known citizen is timely and valuable: "It was with much interest that I noted in your issue of 12th inst., reference to proposed new road, (for construction of which you state the residents of Cowichan and Shawnigan Lake districts are petitioning the government) to connect Cowichan districts with Victoria, by way of the west side of Saanich Inlet. As one who is rather well acquainted with the country between Victoria and Cowichan, and also with the existing roundabout and mountainous apologetics for a road via Sooke lake, I venture to express the opinion that a well built wagon road, via the route that you indicate from Mill bay to Goldstream, would never ascend to any considerable elevation above the sea, and that it should be a simple matter to construct the road with moderate grades only, and that this proposed road would in every way be superior (besides being a great many miles shorter) than the existing route by Sooke lake.

"It is to be hoped that the city of Victoria will do all in its power to assist the residents of Cowichan and Shawnigan Lake districts in the success of their petition, as the construction of this road will certainly be of considerable advantage to Victoria, inasmuch as it will open up into direct communication with Victoria 'another and larger Saanich.' That this statement is correct can be seen on reference to the map. The distance from Victoria to Shawnigan lake via this proposed road is only about the length of the present route by Sooke lake, and the proposed road, passing through the farming centres of Cobble Hill, McPhersons, Koksilah, Quamichan and Duncans are all situated within a distance of ten miles further, and the existing roads between all these points are as good as any on the island, and of moderate easy grades. If this new road is opened up, it will mean that these districts will bear the same relation to Victoria that Saanich does today while, at the present time, their relationship is rather a distant one, compared to what would be the case if the only means of access to Saanich was over the line of the V. & S. railway. It is evident (it must be to all) that if the wagon roads connecting Victoria and Saanich did not exist, much valuable trade, traffic and communication, between city and country, to the mutual advantage of both, would also not exist.

"I believe that the E. & N. railway could be depended upon to support the construction of this road, for while some might think its construction might decrease the amount of local freight the railway would carry, it is questionable whether such would be the case, and besides it is a well known fact, and a regrettable one, that this local farm-freight (produce, etc.) amounts to very little. The advantage on the other hand, of the construction of this road would be very considerable to the railway company, as the road would pass almost entirely through their land and greatly increase its value.

"The advantages of the construction of this road from a sporting and tourist point of view are also very obvious. It would be possible to drive or wheel to Shawnigan lake, as easily as to North Saanich. It is easy to imagine how attractive to tourists such a motor run would be, a day's outing, beautiful scenery (lots of it), and luncheon not to be forgotten at either of the two excellent hotels at Shawnigan lake, and back to Victoria late in the afternoon; such a trip can not be excelled anywhere.

"However a road is built for more sober purposes as a rule, at least it is in B. C., and it is a certainty that if a first class road is put through, with easy grades, the residents of the districts will haul over it to Victoria (to their own and Victoria's mutual advantage) just as at the present time produce is hauled in to the city from Saanich, Metcheson and Sooke districts.

"In case the question may arise in the minds of some I do not hesitate to state that the present road, via Sooke lake, rises to such a great elevation, that, for all practical purposes—such as hauling produce, etc.—it might as well be considered as non-existing. Anyone who has once travelled the road will certainly confirm this statement.

"I trust Mr. Editor that you will see fit to support and urge the construction of this proposed road. Perhaps in one of your Saturday editions you might be kind enough to insert a sketch map showing proposed route of the road."

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John Jardine, Member Elect for
Esquimalt, Explains His
Position

PLANS OF CANADIAN NORTHERN

Victoria's Splendid Geographical Posi-
tion Pointed Out by D. R. Ker—
Simon Leiser Gives Views

The men who know are the most
enthusiastic regarding the Yellow
Head-Bute Inlet railway. That Vic-
toria is the proper terminus was
brought out in an interview with D.
R. Ker yesterday, who pointed out the
advantages consequent upon the al-
ready established steamship lines to
Australia and the Orient, with which
freight and passenger arrangements
could be made. That Esquimalt and
Victoria hold the key to the situation
has long been recognized. As early as
1872 C. Horetzky, one of the sur-
veyors entrusted with work on Van-
couver Island in connection with the
preliminary surveys for the C. P. R.
stated in his report:

"Steamers leaving the coast west
would not have the slightest difficulty
but strangers making the land at any
point north of Vancouver Island for
the first time would incur risks, from
which they would be comparatively
free in approaching the southern ports
of British Columbia."

And the question also arises, is not
Esquimalt the best place for the
transhipment of the enormous amount
of wheat that will certainly in a few
years form an important part of the
tariff of the new railway. Its situa-
tion in reference to the Tehuantepec
railway and the Panama canal now
under construction, in addition to the
Orient and Australia, will more than
counterbalance the small extra mile-
age necessary to come to the south
end of Vancouver Island instead of
making a terminus at some point on
the northern part of the west coast.

Transportation of Wheat

D. R. Ker, certainly the best authori-
ty in the province on the subject of
wheat transportation, believes the
proposed railway would pay from the
start. Yesterday he said:

"The wheat trade is in its infancy.
It is true there were several million
bushels of a surplus last year but
that is nothing in comparison with
what will be grown in a very short
time. The large migration to the new
provinces has only taken place within
the past couple of years and it takes
time to make any surplus in produc-
tion. There will certainly be
sufficient traffic for all the railroads
either being constructed or projected
to the Pacific seaboard."

"Trade with the Orient will cer-
tainly increase; there is every prom-
ise of a very large export trade being
built up. The Chinese are using more
four all the time and there is no
doubt that, as the interior gets more
opened out the market will grow in
proportion."

"As to what road should be induced
to come is another matter. Motion
has been made of the Canadian
Northern and no doubt that company
intends to construct its line to the
coast. I have talked over the mat-
ter with both Messrs. Mackenzie and
Mann, and they had no hesitancy in
saying that their goal was the Pa-
cific. But the road of nature will be
built by the cheapest route, all other
things being equal. Mr. Mackenzie in-
formed me the last time I was in con-
versation with him, only a few months
ago, that his company had already
filed plans at Ottawa from the Yellow
Head pass to Bella Coola. This
is said to be a very easy route."

"There is no doubt that this route
will be adopted unless the company
gets some assistance to induce it to
come further south and cross to Van-
couver Island, via Nodales channel
from Butte Inlet."

"But, with such assistance, there
is a great advantage the road
would have in coming south and mak-
ing Victoria or Esquimalt its ter-
minus. That is in practically having
the advantage of all established
steamship lines to Australia, New
Zealand, the Philippines and Haw-
aian Islands, China and Japan. I be-
lieve it would be easy to make freight
and passenger arrangements with all
the lines clearing and entering from
British Columbia and Puget sound
ports."

Simon Leiser's Views
Simon Leiser is another strong sup-
porter of the proposed road. "Victoria
will never become the city it ought to
be until such a railway is built,"
he said yesterday. "Though there is
not the traffic right now to bring a
profit to such a line it would be forth-
coming before the road was completed.
The richness of the central interior is
so great that it appears strange
that one or other of the transcon-
tinental lines has not already seen the
possibilities and built the road. Given
such facilities the resources of Van-
couver Island will be enormously de-
veloped and go a long way towards
making the proposed railway profit-
able."

Mr. Jardine's Ideas
John Jardine, member-elect for Es-
quimalt in an interview voices similar
sentiments. In answer to the question
"What is your opinion regarding the
projected railways, and those we have
with us now Mr. Jardine said:

"There can be no difference of opin-
ion as to the advisability of having
as many railways as possible on Van-
couver Island. Its position geographi-
cally, with the enormous natural
wealth including timber, mineral and
our fishing industries, will command
that attention commercially from all
those railway companies. They will
be forced to make Victoria and Es-
quimalt their final destination. And
we have two lines with us now, the C.
P. R. and the Great Northern railways.
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least resistance, and where the pros-
pects for business is greatest.
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numbering of the houses of the city
as decided upon by the council at its
last meeting.

It is specified that the numbers sup-
plied shall be not less than three
inches in height, and cut from sheet
metal, while it is moreover demanded
that in tendering, samples of the let-
ters which it is proposed to use, shall
be submitted for the inspection of
the council. The city will be num-
bered on the block system, there being
one number every twenty feet, ir-
respective of the number of houses. Port
and Douglas streets will be taken as
the basis from which all the number-
ing will be done, and all those putting
in tenders are called upon to submit
plans showing how they propose to
arrange the city with respect to this
basis. All tenders must be in by
Feb. 25.

New Pump for Elk Lake
Tenders will shortly be called for
a new pump to be installed at Elk
lake for the purpose of increasing the
pressure in the twelve inch mains of
the city.

The matter was one mooted last
year, but owing to the disagreement
in the council at the time, it was
turned down. The project has, how-
ever again revived, and has been ap-
proved by the councillors. As soon as
the water works authorities decide
whether they want the pump, the ten-
ders will be called.

The principle of pump will be simi-
lar to that now in use at the North
Dairy Pumping station, for the pur-
pose of increasing the pressure in
the sixteen inch mains. It will be cen-
trifugal, and will have the effect of
sending the water much faster through
the twelve inch mains, thus materi-
ally improving pressure throughout
the city. What is causing the delay
in the calling for tenders, is the hesi-
tancy on the part of the officials as to
the best kind of motive power for
the pump. It has not yet been de-
cided whether steam or electricity is
preferable. Probably a decision will
be arrived at shortly, when tenders
will be called. The cost of the pump
is estimated at about \$3,000 and it will
be installed at the mouth of the
twelve inch main at Elk lake. The in-
stallation will, it is hoped, bring the
pressure in the mains up to the re-
quired standard without the assis-
tance of the pump proposed by the com-
mission on water shortage, which was
to draw the water from the shoals
in the centre of Elk lake to the in-
take.

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Tenders have been called to supply
four hundred and two metres of Car-
riage sized pipe to the city. In all prob-
ability these will be the last metres
bought by the city, as it seems very
likely that once the question of the
water supply has been settled, a uni-
versal flat rate will be put into force
and metres abolished.

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It has been finally decided to open
the branch of the Merchants' Bank of
Canada in the new building at the
Brunswick block, Douglas street
frontage, on Monday next. R. F. Taylor,
who will act as manager, formerly
located in the same capacity at the
Calgary branch. The ac-
countant will be N. S. Mackenzie, for-
merly of Regina, Ont., and a brother
of H. B. Mackenzie, manager of the
Bank of British North America
here. It is not yet known when con-
struction will be commenced on the
bank's permanent quarters at Yates
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not yet arrived.

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toria at its next sitting, by Harry C.
Cole, of the City of Victoria, for a trans-
fer of the license granted to him to sell
spiruous and fermented liquors by retail
at the Pritchard Bar, behind No. 61 Yates
street, to Wolfenden & Millington, of the
same city.
Dated this 23rd day of January, A. D.,
1907.
H. T. COLE.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
(Re George Everett, Deceased.)
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late George Everett, who died on the 26th
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are required to send by post, prepaid, or to
deliver to the undersigned Solicitors here-
in for James Townsley and Henry Tanner,
executors under the will of the said George
Everett, their names and addresses and
full particulars in writing of their claims
and statements of their accounts and the
nature of the securities, if any, held by them.
And take notice that after the 15th day of
March, 1907, the said executors will pro-
ceed to distribute the assets of the said
deceased among the persons entitled there-
to, having regard only to the claims of
which they shall then have had notice.
Dated 16th February, 1907.
BARNARD & ROBERTSON,
Solicitors for the said Executors.

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Chapter XXXIII—Continued

Mr. Blades could hold his tongue in case of necessity, but his passion for talk and his vanity were excessive. They were engaged in the night, and the former weakness had more than once been the cause of his undoing. He could keep silent enough until the outcry raised at one of his skillfully-planned and audacious robberies had subsided, but then, for the life of him, he could not resist bragging to his friends of the exploit. Mr. Blades had more than once experienced the fallacy of that most fallacious of all maxims, "Honor amongst thieves." The sum of the earth are ever ready to save their own skins at the expense of their comrades—to realize money by treachery as well as by robbery.

But the indomitable Blades was a man of business. Food, drink, and a change of raiment, he conceived it was essential that he should have before this night was over, and the last quite as much a necessity as the other two. It was useless to think of getting off the island till he had rid himself of his prison garb. It was too early as yet, by some hours, to venture without the chapel, but he might make some researches within.

"Bless 'em!" he muttered, as he prowled round the pews, if they did but leave their great coats instead of their prayer books, what a fit out I should have tonight! I wonder, if a man was a great tailor, whether he could make a pair of trousers out of these straw hassocks? It's a cut about me, though, having a need for a head. They'd be remarkably, too, turned into pantaloons, I fancy, and I want something quiet. Ah! this is the vestry; let's see what there is here. Hum!" he continued, after a careful survey, "nothing but a few cassocks! I might do something with that best heavy cloth, though, for the present, till I see if I can't do better outside. It'd hardly make up fashionable, 'quoth the burglar, with a grin; and then, his investigations being concluded, Mr. Blades retreated to his cell behind the altar, blew out his candle, and betook himself to sleep or his own ruminations till the prison clock should clang the hour of midnight.

It may seem odd that Blades should have sought such a refuge as this, but it was no accident. For some days before the escape that night, he had sought the solitude of his cell, had cogitated much upon where he should take shelter, that escape once satisfactorily accomplished.

"It must be somewhere near at hand," quoth Mr. Blades to himself. "It must be a place the most unlikely to think of. The nearer it is to the prison the more certain there will be for not suspecting it."

And one morning, when his work happened to take Mr. Blades into the western quarry for a little, the sun's rays fell upon the yellow glass in the eastern window of the chapel. The peculiar glint attracted the burglar's eye. He didn't say, "Eureka!" not having had the advantage of a classical education, but exclaimed softly to himself, "That'll do—that's the place. Good clumsy old lock, that'll turn to a wire or a nail, as easy as to its own key, no doubt, but it's a sound one, it's locked. They'll never hit that off." And from that moment Mr. Blades' mind was made up as to what should be his temporary haven.

But twelve o'clock strikes at last, very much to Mr. Blades' satisfaction. He has been counting the chiming very wearily for the last three hours. He is a hungry, a thirsty, and his soul is impatient for action. At last the time has come, he thinks, when he may start, with some safety, upon a marauding excursion. He is perfectly aware that patrol is likely to be about in quest of him. He knows very well that the picket on Chesil Beach will be kept up for some two or three nights yet, at least; but all this troubles him little. He has no intention of doing more than to sliping himself with a few essentials, and makes a pretty accurate guess when he imagines that the patrols will seek him further afield.

He lets himself quietly out of the chapel door, and steals into the darkness. He has no intention of going far. The first dwelling he looks like to satisfy his requirements will serve his turn. He bends his steps towards the prison. His idea is to break into one of the houses inhabited by the officers of the establishment. He does not think this will be difficult. He has managed, somewhat, to ascertain that these functionaries keep tolerably early hours. He calculates upon having little difficulty about getting into a ground floor, and the probability of the inmates all sleeping above. Mr. Blades' knowledge of human nature tells him that the men are always susceptible to risk from what they are most familiar with; that an artilleryman, if allowed, would as soon smoke in a powder magazine as anywhere else; that a sailor never dreams of providing himself with a life-belt, and that a constable never locks his doors. Consequently, he argues, gentlemen in charge of a prison would be the last

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people in the world to indulge in any superfluity of bolts and bars.

Another thing, too, and by no means the least attractive in this case, it tickled Blades' vanity mightily. How it would be talked of in the prison if the Governor's or the Deputy Governor's house should be broken into! Notoriety was his, and the burglar was not to be denied, and then, the really did look upon it that he should run as little risk there, and as good a chance of finding what he needed, as in any place. Again, these domiciles were not above four hundred yards or so distant from the sanctuary, and Mr. Blades deems that an essential.

He creeps cautiously along across small fields and gardens lying parallel to the road, intent upon his purpose, when light suddenly arrests his attention. It is a low, flickering light, and lying some thirty yards to his left. Not the light of a candle, he thinks,—looks more like the expiring embers of a fire. Mr. Blades considers this worthy of investigation. He scrambles over the wall, and finds himself in a stable yard. The light proceeds from a ground floor window looking into that yard. Mr. Blades walks gently up the building, and peeps in. It is a sight full of temptation to a hungry man. He is looking into a comfortable kitchen. The remnant of a good fire still sparkles in the grate, while on the table is the debris of an excellent supper—cold meat, bread, cheese, etc.

"No use going further," muses Mr. Blades; "it would be a clean temptation of Providence." He tries the window, but it is bolted. Not much difficulty, he thinks, to take out a pane, and so let himself in, if he had but the tools; but he hasn't. You want a diamond to cut out a pane of glass, and a little sheet of brown paper and a little maul, and something like three or four minutes. Mr. Blades is not provided with these necessities of his art. He tries the door; it is locked, but not bolted. He examines the lock carefully. Very commonplace arrangement, he thinks, and to be forced open something like three or four minutes.

But Mr. Blades is in no hurry. He is not going to thrust his head into a trap. Before he commences operations, he must ascertain that there is no other light to be discovered. From what he has seen he augurs that the whole family have gone to bed, but it is as well to be on the safe side.

He goes round to the front, and peering into the road, not without much listening and peering into the darkness. He finds himself in front of the "Clifton Arms," a small inn nearly opposite the prison. No sign of any one astray, that he can make out. No flickering light glimmers from the windows, not a sound, but the wailing of the wind and the plashing of the rain is to be heard. "It'll do," mutters the burglar. "It's a cursed night to be out in, and one can't afford to be particular. Besides," he continued, "with a regular 'I can look up the Governor tomorrow.'"

He stole round to the back, and in five minutes had forced the lock, and was warming himself at the kitchen fire. Then he seated himself at the table and ate ravenously. But "good eating requires good drinking," saith the old adage, and Mr. Blades was not the man to set his face against an ancient saw of that description.

"Seems as if they'd laid it all out a-purpose for me," muttered the burglar, at the conclusion of his repast, "and a very tidy little feed it were; but they have clean forgot the fluids. Never an egg, nor a bit of beer, nor a drop of wine, nor a glass of stout. It'd be a pity to ring 'em up at this time of night. I'll just take a look round for myself."

So saying, Mr. Blades slipped off his boots, took a candle, and commenced his researches. "The bar's what I want," he thought, and in pursuance of this idea he made his way softly to the front of the house. The window looking into the entrance passage soon indicated to him which room served that purpose. It was locked, as might have been expected, but that proved a very temporary impediment to Mr. Blades, and he was soon within it. "Shows a want of confidence in your fellow creatures, this here," he muttered, shaking his head over the locked beer engine. "Well, well, it's a wicked world, and mankind is weak as regards beer. Ah! 'tisn't," he continued, seizing a bottle. "My worthy host, you had best remember in future that men are perhaps equally frail as regards brandy and—here he took another bottle—'gin."

Thus armed, Mr. Blades returned to the kitchen, and there tossed off a pretty good dose of spirits to the health of his unconscious entertainer. "Most honorable people," he remarked to himself genially, as he stood with his back to the fire; "the Governor himself couldn't have done the thing more handsomely. Now, my jolly host, I know just what to say. I know just what to do, and when you thoroughly understand people, it's a pity to trouble them unnecessarily, ain't it? 'Blades, my boy,' you'd say, 'you'll take a sandwich to put in your pocket; there's nothing like being independent and able to take your snack at your own time.'"

Acting upon which observation, Mr. Blades packed the remains of the bread and meat and the two bottles of spirits up neatly in a jack-towel, which he discovered behind the door. "Now," says you again, continued the burglar, apostrophizing the unconscious landlord "Blades, old fellow, 'tis a desperate night, but you'll find a top coat of some kind. You'd best just slip into it. 'Twould be a pity to spoil those fashionable clothes of yours." And with an indescribable wink in recognition of his own humor, Mr. Blades stepped out to make some search for garments.

"This here's the lot," he observed, on his return to the kitchen, after an absence of some few minutes, throwing on to the table a bundle of clothes which he bore on his arm. "Item first—a bonnet. Bless you, as if you weren't too attractive as it is! There'd be no passing and one if you got that on your head! Item second—a ready overcoat. Well, the owner wants a new one, if he has to go tick for it; it'll be a charity to put this out of his way. What's this?—a shawl? Now, the question is, whether there's a pair of trousers to be got out of that. It's more promising than hassocks," said Mr. Blades meditatively; "but I doubt it's scanty. I'm afraid bathing-drawers is about the outside it would come to. An apron and a petticoat—how the girls do leave their things about! They're careless cattle, the women are, except about their best clothes. And this old bat finishes the lot. Well, it ain't a handsome tile, and it don't fit to within a size or two. It wouldn't be worth while carrying an umbrella to save it, and nobler's likely to borrow money from you while you wear it; and, dash it, I'm a capitalist—I am

just now, I forgot that!"

And here Mr. Blades lapsed into deep meditation upon the sum of money that was awaiting him at the "Cock and Compasses," in Charles Street, Drury Lane, and the varied delights of the metropolis. Rousing himself from his reverie at last, he suddenly exclaimed: "Come, this won't do! It's getting time for all respectable parties to be in bed—especially moneyed parties like me."

And Mr. Blades proceeded forthwith to invest himself in the overcoat, placed the much-disparaged hat upon his head, took up his bundle, and waving his hand airily towards the ceiling, in recognition of his sleeping host, once more plunged out into the darkness.

He made his way back to the chapel without molestation, and as he once more stretched himself in his lair with the spoils of the evening by his side, the prison clock struck four.

"A very tidy night's work," he murmured; "but time'll pass plaguy slow tomorrow, unless I put upon something to write it away. However, I've plenty to eat and drink and that's an improvement on yesterday."

CHAPTER XXXIV.

Mr. Blades' Adventure.

Fortified with food and strong waters Mr. Blades slept away the hours with peaceful slumber, and till gradually the sound of voices stole upon his ear. So gradually, indeed, that he was aware of them for some minutes before he actually awoke. He raised his head and listened. Then he speedily recognized that service was going on in the chapel; that, from the steps of that altar behind which he lay concealed, the priest was at that moment celebrating matins. This was a thing that Mr. Blades imperfectly comprehended. It was very rarely that worthy went to church, except when in prison. Then the powers that were took care that he should attend divine service twice every Sunday. But weekly services were a thing outside his experience, much more daily ones. The previous morning, fatigued from the work consequent on his escape, he had slept soundly through the ceremony, but now he was alive to it. Mr. Blades felt no little perturbed at this discovery. He had thought that nobody ever entered a church except upon Sundays, and so had conceived himself perfectly safe from intrusion for the next three days—this being a Thursday. Of course it was quite patent to him that he could do nothing but lie still, and trust that nothing would lead any one to come behind the altar.

He was, in truth, tolerably safe. It was rarely except for the purposes of cleaning that any one entered that narrow space between the back of the altar and the exterior wall in which he now lay hidden. A few minutes later, the voice of the officiating priest was hushed. A slight rustling of petticoats a pattering of feet and the scanty congregation, composed chiefly of women, dispersed. Blades, listening with ears preternaturally alert, followed the priest as he detected even the footfall of the priest, as with slow, deliberate step, he follows those few devotees to the door—another moment and he hears the latter close with a sonorous slam. Still the burglar listens attentively. At length he feels satisfied that he is alone, and cautiously peeps round the altar to make assurance doubly sure. One of Mr. Blades' maxims on such occasions is that, no matter what you believe, you should always act as if you knew nothing about it; that whatever you may think as to your security, you should still neglect no precaution that lies within your power. Metaphorically, he would have explained his views in this wise—"If you break into an empty house, always work as if there were a couple of detectives asleep on the floor."

His survey being satisfactory Mr. Blades emerges from his lair, and wonders a good deal whereabouts in the day he may have got to. He has no idea as to what time it is, and considers that a subject on which it is necessary that he should be informed. Utterly ignorant as regards the forms of the Roman Catholic church, the service he has just overheard gives him no clue whatever to the hour—whether it is morning or afternoon, he knows not. He climbs up into the gallery and looks out.

The wind has fallen considerably. It is one of those mild misty November days that never seem to achieve thorough daylight; as if the sun had never summoned courage really to get up, and had slunk back to bed again, and altogether ignored his duty to the world—disgusted, perchance, with the meanness of the fog, and petty bickerings that it is his daily lot to look down upon; sick of contemplating this squawking, struggling, struggling antithesis of an earth. A day that never arrives at more than haze—such a day as in London you begin by gaslight, and feel only anxious to return to gaslight as soon as decency allows. In London, on such occasions, always thinks it right for some three or four hours to consider that there is no necessity for gas, whatever may be the consistency of the fog. Mr. Blades, looking over the West Quarries through the yellow glass of the chapel window, is more puzzled than ever as regards the time.

For some minutes he can make out nothing. There is a yellow haze, in which even the passers-by on the road immediately beneath him loom indistinct. Gradually his eyes get more accustomed to the light, and he can distinguish his late co-mates at work in the West Quay. This rather tickles Mr. Blades. There is something that titillates his risible faculties in contemplating his late fellows at their customary toil; in looking on at their dire struggle with the rock, in witnessing their painful labor with pick and hammer, shovel and barrow, as they slowly wrench the reluctant stone from its bed. For Portland yields not her wealth readily or easily, and those magnificent blocks we all prize have won from her only by many a weary stroke of the workman's hands.

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Providence, R. I., Feb. 14.—A new element was injected into the horror attending the loss of the steamer Larchmont in Block Island Sound on Monday night through a collision with the coal barge schooner Harry Knowlton, when Capt. McVey, of the steamer, early today admitted that his lifeboat was "one of the first, if not the first, to leave the sinking ship." This statement was made in reply to charges by Fred Hiersgeil, an 18-year-old lad of Brooklyn, boat of the survivors. He stated that the passengers were left to shift for themselves, that the ship's crew crowded the boats without attempting to provide for the passengers, and that Capt. McVey was the first to desert the ship.

The statement of the young lad created a sensation in view of the fact that ten of the nineteen survivors were employees of the ship, or, in other words, that while approximately 20 per cent of the vessel's crew were saved, only 8 per cent of the passengers were saved. Capt. McVey explained that while the boat may have been in the water, it was because he had a good crew, and despite the fact that he was among the first off the deck, he remained by his ship until she went down. He said that he had made no move to get into the lifeboat until he had given orders to his men to lower all the boats and clear away the rafts. While his boat was in the water it was fastened to the ship by a rope in the running gear that had become caught, and only that it was cut by the gale which saw that the ship was settling rapidly, the boat and its occupants would have been caught in the whirlpool and sucked beneath the surface.

The captain's boat was on the windward side, and he said he called to the passengers to jump into his boat, which would hold about 22 people, but the electric lights had been extinguished in the collision, and in the darkness and confusion no one heeded his summons. Everybody was on the leeward side part of the ship, and he ordered his men to row around there, but the gale balked his plan and the boat was driven from the steamer, his men had to give up their task and crouch down in the bottom of the boat to escape the piercing wind.

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EMPLOYMENT OFFICE—Good places; good wages to competent servants.

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WANTED—An elderly woman as companion to an invalid. An excellent home for the right person. Apply "The Poplars," Colwell Street.

WANTED—A housemaid for family of two. Good salary to suitable party. Apply 173 Yates Street.

WANTED—General servant. Good wages. Mrs. Bond, 39 Birdcage Walk.

WANTED—A stenographer for a law office. 817 Colonsist.

WANTED—Experienced nurse for baby seven months old. Apply Phone 405.

WANTED—Women for housework. Good wages. Apply Mrs. H. E. Sims, Glenday, Esquimalt road.

WANTED—In Millinery Department, competent improvers; also apprentices. Henry Young & Co.

WANTED—A cook for family of two. Good salary to suitable party. Address Box 833 this office.

WANTED—Skirt and waist makers and improvers. Apply Miss McMillan, care D. Spencer, Ltd.

SITUATIONS WANTED—FEMALE
WANTED—Position as resident nursery governess by young lady. English, Irish, branches and beginning French. Address A. J. J. Fisher, Carriage Shop, Queen Street.

WANTED—MALE HELP
WANTED—Young man, to learn packing and shipping, and do general work about store. Apply to Challenger & Mitchell, 47-49 Government Street.

WANTED—Young man well educated. Energetic, desires position of trust. Address Box 818 Colonsist.

WANTED—Strong boy at the Victoria Steam Laundry, 152 Yates Street.

WANTED—Reliable men in every town throughout Canada to advertise our goods. Take up showcards on trees, fences, bridges and all conspicuous places. Also distribute small advertising placards. Commission or salary \$3 per month and expenses \$4 per day. Steady employment to good reliable men. Quotations necessary. Write for particulars. Empire Medicine Co., London, Ont.

BOY WANTED—Smart office boy wanted. Apply at once to 827, Colonsist office.

WANTED—An office boy in law office. In and out of city.

WANTED—To learn meat cutting. Apply 210 Cook Street.

WANTED—An honest, smart boy to carry a morning newspaper route. Must be familiar with the city. Apply at once to 22 Colonsist.

WANTED—A youth; good wages. Apply Pickle Works, Johnson Street.

WANTED—Boys at B. A. Paint Co.

SITUATIONS WANTED—MALE
WANTED—Contracts for rock blasting, grading, etc. Henry James, Powderly Avenue, Victoria West. Phone 232.

ACCOUNTANT—With long varied experience, in all kinds of account. Address "Rectus," P. O. Box 315.

FOR SALE—RESIDENCES
FOR SALE OR TO RENT—Two storey house—Victoria West. Address Box 510 Colonsist office.

FOR SALE—7 roomed all modern house, with electric light, hot water, etc., out-houses, fruit trees. Lawn, lot 69 x 120 feet, on house side of 220 Yates Street. Price \$1250 only. Balance 2 years time. Biggest snap in city. Yates Street is choicest property in Victoria. Own it. H. Stadthagen, 70 Johnson Street.

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40 GOVERNMENT STREET.

FOR SALE—Two lots on Government St., double frontage, 100' x 120', improved, to clear up an estate. A bargain. Terms. Further particulars can be had at office.

ACRE—Just off Burnside road, a corner, for one week, \$100.00. Good land.

BUSINESS LOTS—Just off Government street, 180' frontage, \$340.00.

SOOKER—About 100 acres and lake. Crown granted and timbered; \$10 per acre.

FLYVE LOTS—In the Fairfield Estate, 50 x 120, corner, can have sewer, \$190.00.

Good 6 roomed house, electric light, etc., handy to car, Victoria West, \$1200.00.

SUBURBAN ACREAGE—Water frontage on the Arm, about 100 acres; 30 acres cleared, beautifully situated; will subdivide well.

SUBURBAN ACREAGE—Shoal Bay water frontage at \$800 per acre—also rich garden land at \$1500 per acre. Very choice.

VICTORIA ACRE—5 1/2 acres, beautiful building site facing on Arm, with large water frontage and inside city limits, \$15,000. The only available site left in Victoria.

TEXADA ISLAND—Over 2,000 acres of wild land, \$5 per acre.

1300—A large brick house on good order, with stable, 30 fruit trees, close to car line, \$5250.

ACRES OF LAND—At Gordon Head, all cleared, suitable for fruit, etc., \$400 per acre.

60 ACRES—Of the most desirable acreage property set out upon the market; beautiful, well watered, and all under cultivation. Just outside city limits.

DEVELOPERS PROPERTY—\$11,000 will buy corner lot and 2 story brick building in business centre.

REIP FAIRM—4,000 acres, 100 acres cultivated, buildings, etc., 1000 acres of good arable land; only \$15,000.

DESIRABLE IMPROVED ACREAGE—At Gordon Head, large amount of water frontage, with buildings, orchard, small fruits, etc.

FOR SALE—320 acres at Sooke; plenty of good land, 30 acres cleared, 290 acres in first class cattle range. Bargain.

VICTORIA ACRE—Acreage in large or small blocks, handy to Gorge car; large water frontage.

BUSINESS PROPERTY—We are offering some choice property on Fort Street in the business centre. Call for particulars.

AN INVESTMENT—Eight cottages, all rented steadily, in good order. Handy to car. Call for particulars.

\$2,000—Nice 5 roomed cottage, new, with all modern conveniences.

SUBURBAN HOME—7 acres and modern house, beautiful grounds, stable, etc. One of the best places in the city. Only 25 minutes' walk to Victoria post office.

\$200 PER ACRE—1000 acres accessible by car and rail, about 40 miles from Victoria, small portion slashed. Would make first class cattle or sheep ranch. Water frontage. The most beautiful place in Sequim Harbor; very large water frontage and large portion under cultivation. Would subdivide well. Full particulars at office.

\$1,700—6 roomed house and 1/2 lot in good location, handy to town, a snap.

JAMES BAY—4 lots, each 60x240 feet, nice site for a home, also chance for speculation. \$1200 each.

\$2900—Modern 6 roomed cottage, centrally located, with frontage of 120 feet. All in perfect order. Can also purchase furniture.

Fernwood Road—8 roomed dwelling with grounds, fruit trees, stable and outhouses. Hot air furnace. Cheap.

FAIRFIELD ESTATE—We are now offering acreage at reduced prices in 1-1/2 acre blocks. Call before the prices go up.

100 acres—Highland district, house and outbuildings, \$3000.

TO LET—Nice clean rooms, \$5 per month upwards, including heat. B. C. Land and Investment Agency.

INSTANT PLAN—Houses for sale on this plan all over the city. Why pay rent when you can buy a home on the terms we offer.

SIXTH STREET—2 lots, corner, \$200 each.

RESIDENCES—A large list of handsome residences with grounds. Call for particulars.

CADBORO BAY ROAD—Handsome residence with good grounds, all modern conveniences, including steam heater. \$1500—6 roomed cottage and large lot only ten minutes from post office.

BUSINESS LOTS—Several lots, all handy to Railway station, \$6,300, will sell separately.

\$7,500—Large cottage with 8 lots beautiful garden, orchard and tennis lawn. On car line.

\$2300—Will buy six roomed house with modern conveniences close to car line.

100 ACRES—At Alberni, all good land and easily cleared. Price \$15 per acre.

TERMS—Call for particulars.

LARGE COTTAGE—And 8 lots, orchard, stable and outhouses. This property is situated on a corner and is cheap.

SWINERTON & ODDY

Real Estate, Financial and Insurance Agents.

102 GOVERNMENT STREET.

HALF ACRE LOT—Off Gorge road, \$700.00.

2 SLENDID LOTS—In Finlayson Estate, \$750.00.

BECKWOOD ROAD—2 lots, \$700 for 2.

LOT 50 x 133—Quadrant street, 20 fruit trees, \$700.00.

3 ACRES—On Lansdowne road, all cleared, \$3000.00. Suitable for subdividing.

10 ACRES—Burnside road, 1/2 miles out, with small house, \$2500.00; \$1500 cash; balance 6 per cent.

6 1/2 ACRES—Sanich road, \$25.00 per acre; 2 miles from P. O. A splendid site.

13 ACRES—3 miles out, \$4500.00 per acre, all cleared, suitable for subdivision.

17 ACRES—On Cook street, with 5 roomed house, 12 acres cleared, barn and stable, \$800 per acre.

ACREAGE—In the Tolmie Estate, \$500 to \$5000 per acre. Purchase before prices go up. Some splendid building sites can be had in this estate.

SMALL HOUSE AND 2 LOTS—Near car line, \$1000.

JULY LISTED—6 roomed new house with all modern conveniences; concrete foundation. Lot 53 x 135 with alley at back, \$2850. \$1000 cash. Balance at 6 per cent.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

PRIVATE BILLS NOTICE

The time limited by the Rules of the House for receiving petitions for Private Bills will expire on Saturday, the 16th day of March, 1907.

Bills must be presented to the House not later than the 23rd day of March, 1907.

Reports from Committees on Private Bills will not be received after the 4th day of April, 1907.

Dated this 2nd day of January, 1907.

THORNTON FELL,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

To Whom It May Concern

Takes notice that the sale of the wrecked steamer "Themis" as she lies has been postponed until Wednesday, the 20th February, for the purpose of survey being held on the wreck.

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45 FORT STREET

TOLMIE AVENUE—Just over 1/4 of an acre of good land, 7 minutes from the car line, \$1000.

METROPOLITAN DISTRICT—10 acres, \$20,000.

OAK BAY AVE.—Newly built house, \$3000.

PANDORA AVE.—60 x 120, \$900.

STANLEY AVENUE—Good lot, \$500.

SIOUX BAY—2 acres and large two-story house on 2 streets, \$4200.

SIOUX BAY—4 acres fronting on Monterey ave., \$7500.

ESQUIMALT ROAD—7 room house on the car line, with fine view of the sea, nearly new, lot 70 x 120, \$8500.

PANDORA AVENUE—Block fronting on 3 streets with acreage, adjoining houses thereon, close in and very reasonable, \$14,000.

QUADRA ST.—6 acres just beyond Tolmie avenue, \$6500.

FORT ST.—Large lot and good cottage recently repaired. Rented for the last 6 years at \$25 per month. Price \$5000.

\$2000 cash and the balance easy terms.

YATES ST.—Two large lots with small building, between Quadra and Vancouver streets. Reasonable.

BEACON ST.—Recently built cottage, well arranged on large lot, \$3350.

TWO LOTS ADJOINING—\$1200 the two.

SOUTH TURNER ST.—Large, well built house containing 11 rooms, 2 1/2 good lots, partly in lawn, \$5000.

FORT ST.—Good cottage and full sized lot; cottage in good repair and always rented, \$3850.

GAREY ROAD—Within 15 minutes of car, 13,007 acres of good land all cleared with the exception of 1 acre. Woods, \$150 per acre.

LAKE DISTRICT—About 40 acres of good land, Good house; a large quantity of strawberry plants, all fenced. Good water supply; \$100 per acre.

SAANICH ROAD—2 1/2 acres; would make good chicken ranch; 6 acres good land, \$475.

DOUGLAS ST.—Block 60 x 60, one block from Fort St., \$17,000.

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STORR, barn and 2 lots, \$1900.

HALL and lot, \$1250.

LOT 85—10 acres cleared, house, 5 acres orchard, 5 acres cleared, 2 1/2 miles from town, \$800.

80 ACRES—5 miles from town. All good land, some slashed; \$1000.

2 MILES FROM TOWN—70 acres, all bottom land, 5 acres cleared; \$16 per acre.

100 ACRES—Near Parkins and Bamfield, about 75 in meadow land; \$8.00 per acre.

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REAL ESTATE.

18 TROUCE AVENUE

I have for sale properties in the under-mentioned districts, all of which are worthy of attention. Call and obtain particulars.

HOUSES—

Nagasaki street.

Cadboro Bay.

North Park Road.

Rae Street.

South Road (Pembroke St.)

S. Purser.

Simcoe and Oswego.

Reicher Street.

Oak Bay Avenue.

Barnedon Avenue.

Francis Avenue.

Pine Street and Belton Avenue.

LOTS—

Douglas and Field.

Topaz Avenue.

Russell Street.

Fernwood Estate.

Fairfield Road.

Mearns and Vancouver.

Relief Street.

Cook Street.

Richardson Street.

Pandora.

ACREAGE—

Fairfield Road, 1 1/2 acres.

Cook Street, 1/2 acre.

N. Quadra and Linwood, 6 acres.

Holland Av., Strawberry Vale, 5 acres.

N. Pembroke, 3-1/2 acres.

FARMS—

Happy Valley, 100 acres.

S. Saanich, 100 acres.

Burnside, 100 acres.

List your property with me for quick sale.

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2 VIEW ST.

SHAKESPEARE ST.—1 lot 45 x 110, with 17 fruit trees, all bearing, \$5500.00.

WASHINGTON AVE.—Half acre lot, all cleared, \$1000.00.

FOUL BAY RD.—Close to corner of Cadboro Bay road, 1 lot, \$1250.00.

CADBORO AVE.—1 lot in Newland Subdivision for \$750.00 the block.

DISCOVERY ST.—3 lots close to Douglas at \$1800 each.

AMALTON ST.—2 lots, \$1000.00 each. A snap.

OAK BAY AVE.—Lot 60 x 127, on best part of avenue for \$950.00.

HEYNOD AVE.—6 lots adjoining 152 feet frontage on avenue, for \$5500.00.

CLOVERDALE AVE.—New bungalow (not yet completed), standing on half an acre, \$3750.00.

JAMES BAY—9 roomed house on best street, close to Douglas road; shrubbery and fine lawn, for \$3500.00. The best buy over the Bay.

RICHMOND AVE.—8 roomed house in Al condition, with beautiful lawn and garden, stable and coach house, \$5500.00. An ideal home.

CADBORO BAY RD.—9 roomed house, basement, sewer, electric light, gas stove, fine garden, fruit trees, stable, etc., \$7500.

DOUGLAS ST.—4 acres, all in timber, best position on street, \$8500.00.

BEAUMONT BOGGS

Phone 30. 42 Fort St.

JAMES BAY—7 room dwelling, sewer and electric light. Lot 60 x 100, with stable, \$2800.

WATER FRONTAGE—14 acres very choice land, mostly cultivated, only 2 1/2 miles from town. Price \$350 per acre or \$5250.

BUNGALOW—Handsome new Bungalow close to Oak Bay water front, on half acre land with tennis court. Price \$1750.

CADBORO BAY—7 1/2 acres cleared land. Cottage—Yates St. Price \$2500.

NEW BUNGALOW—Facing Beacon Hill Park; 2 lots. Price \$2500.

BURNSIDE ROAD—Acreage on main road, GARIBALDI ROAD—Close to tram line, new cottage with new view; orchard and garden. Price \$2050.

COTTAGE AND STABLE—On 4 lots close to tram line. Price \$1500.

QUADRA STREET—6 acres just outside city limits; no rock. Price \$6,500. Suitable for subdivision.

COTTAGE—On Caledonia avenue. Price \$1200.

HARRISON STREET—Near High School, very fine building lots. Price \$1500.

A BUSINESS CORNER—Southeast corner of Fort Quadra and Mearns streets, having 3 cottages and store thereon, price \$10,000.

FARMS—"Home List" contains all farms of Vancouver Island, and is sent free on application.

GORDON HEAD—Fruit land, cultivated and drained, 1 1/2 miles from post office. A large tract just surveyed into small holdings. A plan can be seen at my office.

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74 DOUGLAS ST.

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\$5500.00—A two story house, 7 rooms and a four room cottage on a lot 60 x 120. Church Hill.

\$1000.00—5 room cottage, Vancouver street. Rents for \$125.00 per month.

\$3500.00—New house, 5 rooms, hot and cold water; 3 lots. Large barn, stone dairy, 5 minutes from car line.

\$2600.00—12 roomed house, lot 60 x 116. Electric light, sewer and city water; near fountain on Douglas street.

\$1500.00—Will buy two lots on Pandora street.

\$1250.00—Will buy four lots on Denman street, sunny side, ploughed and ditched.

\$675.00—Will buy two lots on Prior street, adjoining lots going at \$450.00 up.

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16 TROUCE AVENUE.

PANDORA—Eight large lots in most desirable location. Finest of residential property; \$750 each.

GRANT—Neat 4 room cottage on large lot; price with furniture, \$2100.

MODERN RESIDENCES—View St., Carr St., Clarence St., from \$3250 to \$4500.

DAVID ST.—Corner Saanich road; block of 20 lots for short time at \$3500. A good buy. Car line passes property.

MT. TOLMIE ROAD—5 1/2 acres close in; good 6 room house, outbuildings, 40 fruit trees, no rock, \$6500.00.

CHESTNUT ST.—Six room house on full size lot. Large stable. Price \$2500. A bargain.

FOR SALE

Fine residence, stone foundation, and large basement;

one and a half acres of ground laid out in choice shrubs and fruit trees; good stable. Ten minutes walk from town and one minute from car.

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14 ACRES—Cadboro Bay, \$160.00 per acre; good soil near salt water.

240 FEET—Water frontage on Gorge, Victoria Arm; road frontage on car line, 2 to 3 acres.

FINE RESIDENCE—Overlooking Bay, 2 minutes from car line, 20 minutes walk from post office.

11 ROOM HOUSE—About 1-1/2 of an acre, garden and orchard, 15 minutes walk from post office, 2 minutes from car line.

2 CHOICE INSIDE LOTS—On Yates street.

1 ACRE—Saratoga avenue, Oak Bay. Choice.

NEW MODEL HOME—Modern improvements, 7 rooms, bath, etc., extensive basement, 1 1/2 lots 60 x 120 feet, the street, James Bay, \$4500. Terms for part, 3 minutes walk from car line.

HANDSOME BRICK RESIDENCE—Commanding position, one of finest views, \$6,000. Easy terms.

1 ACRE—On car line, two frontages on main roads; can subdivide into 4 or 12 lots if desired; all cleared and fenced.

80 ACRES—Elk Lake, uncleared, but good soil, \$3500. Terms.

2 LOTS—On Esquimalt road, \$1100. Fine residence, close in, corner lot.

For Two Weeks Only

188 acres at \$300 per acre, comprising one of the finest properties in the vicinity of Victoria. Over 2200 feet of splendid waterfront; situated about three miles from the Victoria City post office, on a splendid road; about 80 acres of cleared land, two orchards, two dwelling houses and outbuildings.

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22 Fort Street

NOTICE is hereby given that an application will be made to the Board of Licensing Commissioners of the City of Victoria at its next sittings, by Joseph Patrick Byrne, of the City of Victoria, for leave to change the name of the London Hotel to sell spirituous and fermented liquors by retail, which said London Hotel is situated upon the premises known as Number 47 Broad Street, on the southeast corner of Johnson and Broad streets, in the City of Victoria aforesaid, to the "Atlantic Hotel."

And further take notice that an application will also be made to the said Board of Licensing Commissioners of the City of Victoria at its next sittings by the said Joseph Patrick Byrne for a transfer of the said license granted to him to sell spirituous and fermented liquors by retail at the above-described London Hotel, to David Murray, of the same city.

Dated the 8th day of February, A. D., 1907.

JOSEPH P. BYRNE.

Two large waterfront lots on Victoria Harbor, between Outer Wharf and Sehl's Point; splendid location; adjoining lot sold for \$4500 two weeks since. This low price is made in order to close an estate.

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FOUR ACRES—With frontage on the Gorge—good property for subdivision. \$10,000
7 ROOMED HOUSE—Brick foundation, on Fourth street, very cheap. \$2,100
8 ROOMED HOUSE—On Jubilee avenue, with 2 lots 60 x 135 each. A bargain. \$3,150
HOUSE—On Rutherford street, near Dallas road. 10 rooms, beautiful shrubbery. \$10,500
FINE RESIDENCE—On Superior street, with 10 lots, beautiful shrubbery. \$10,500
ACREAGE—Adjacent and within city limits. A large lot of farm lands. CALL AND LIST YOUR PROPERTY WITH US.

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THE WEATHER

Meteorological Office,
Victoria, B. C., at 8 p. m. Feb. 14.
SYNOPSIS.

The barometer remains abnormally high over this province and fair, mild weather continues over the western portion of the continent, with moderate winds along the coast from this to California. Light frosts have occurred on Vancouver Island and the lower mainland. The weather in Alberta is very mild and eastward to Manitoba the temperature ranges from 40 to 32 degrees.

	Min.	Max.
Victoria	32	45
Vancouver	27	43
New Westminster	29	45
Kamloops	20	31
Barkerville	22	38
Port Simpson	38	48
Alton	29	41
Dawson	—4	zero
Calgary	—1	22
Winnipeg	—28	32
Portland	38	51
San Francisco	52	68

FORECASTS.
For 24 hours from 5 a. m. (Pacific time)
Friday:
Victoria and vicinity: Winds mostly easterly or southerly, generally fair and mild during the day.
Lower Mainland: Light or moderate winds, generally fair and mild during the day.

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—never a suspicion of grittiness—
you taste the piquant savour—the
crystal melts unconsciously.

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The Survival of the Fittest

IN THESE DAYS of keen commercial rivalry and brisk business competition, when the markets are being constantly flooded with all kinds of Scotch whiskies—at all kinds of prices—and when the public are naturally desirous of obtaining the utmost value for their money, it is only reasonable to suppose that there will be in whiskies, as in every other product, a "survival of the fittest," and that the productions of those houses which have won their way to the front rank by sheer merit, will long continue in the public favor. Of all the leading and well known brands of Scotch whiskies, there is practically only one which fully answers the requirements of the above statement, and that one is the far-famed and celebrated **KILMARNOCK SCOTCH**, distilled and bottled by John Walker & Sons, Limited, of Kilmarnock, Scotland. Many years ago, by sheer merit, and merit alone, it won its way, in the taste of both the public and connoisseurs, to the head of the very front rank. Ever since it has maintained that lead, and will continue to head the list of popular whiskies, because of quality, age and uniformity it is absolutely unexcelled. That is why every high-class bar, club and hotel stocks **KILMARNOCK SCOTCH**.

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HOME RULE PROSPECT

Mr. Birrell's Speech Is Various Received

London, Feb. 14.—The first business day of the present session of parliament has given evidence of important legislative matters in hand, and promise of vigorous political fighting. Augustine Birrell's maiden speech as chief secretary for Ireland highly pleased the Nationalists and supplied the text for strong attacks by opposition newspapers this morning. Mr. Birrell has frankly avowed himself a Home Ruler, and confessed that the government's devotion bill would be a stepping stone to Home Rule.

The telegraph, in an editorial article this morning, says: "Truth, like murder, will out and Mr. Birrell, with childlike simplicity, has disclosed the real Irish policy of the government. His magic wand has awakened Home Rule from its slumbers the surrender is complete and Mr. Redmond has to ask for nothing more." In the lobby of the House of Commons last night Mr. Birrell's speech was the subject of much gossip, and there was curiosity as to what attitude Lord Rosebery and other prominent anti-Home Rule Liberals would take on it.

Another matter of importance is the statement made by Herbert H. Asquith, chancellor of the exchequer, concerning old age pensions. This is regarded as meaning that the government intends to propose some scheme, and that Mr. Asquith meditates "carving" a portion of the expected large surplus in the next budget as a nucleus for a pension fund.

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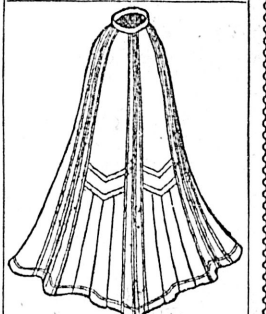
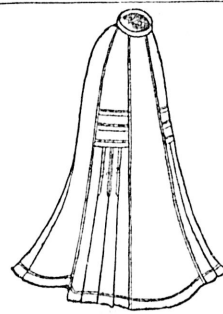
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